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To Hasten Peace Talk New Premier Asked To Name Delegates ARMY REFORM PLAN

Nanking, March 22.

The Legislative Yuan today passed an emergency resolution urging the newly appointed Ho Ying-chin Cabinet to send a message to the Chinese Communists requesting them to hasten the appointment of their delegates to peace negotiations and to fix the place for the talks.

Trading Resumed On Gold Bar

Shanghai, March 22.
Trading on the Gold Bar Exchange, after a lapse of 13 years, was believed to have resumed today against foreign currencies and gold prices, both of which showed little change from yesterday.
The United States dollar hovered between \$11.100 and \$11.250 all day and Gold Bar between \$153,000 and \$157,000 an ounce.
Meanwhile, the acute shortage of cash, which is still prevailing and the high premium demanded for cashing cheques, coupled with the minute-by-minute devaluation of Gold Yuan are making it increasingly difficult for local wage earners and employers to maintain normal livelihood.—Reuter.

India May Buy Power Equipment From Japan

New Delhi, March 22.
There are increased indications here that India may place large orders for power plant equipment in Japan.
A spokesman for the Ministry of Works, Mines and Power, which is handling hydro-electric schemes, says the main reason is the early delivery promised by Japanese manufacturers.
Their dates, he says, are well ahead of those mentioned by American and British manufacturers.
Indian power engineers heard at a recent conference here that India "must profitably look to Japan" for electrical equipment. A report prepared by a project officer noted Japan has facilities for manufacturing large steam generators, boiler plants, hydro-electric plants, and other equipment.—Associated Press.

River Steamer Escapes Unscathed From "Bomb"

The aluminium super-structured river vessel Shih Men had a narrow escape when she was coming down here on Monday night when a "bomb" exploded on her port bow.
No damage was reported, and the Shih Men resumed her journey after a 15-minute inspection.

Blueprint For Japan's New Budget

Tokyo, March 22.
Japanese Government officials were handed a blueprint for the 1949-50 budget totalling around 700,000,000,000 Yen today. They were expected to battle for alteration and possibly an increase.
Finance Minister Hayata Ikeda was given the SCAP approved budget in a session this afternoon with Joseph M. Dodge, General MacArthur's economic adviser and Headquarters economic officials, said authoritative Japanese sources.
The new budget, it is understood, includes between 107 and 120 billion Yen for postwar reconstruction. This is a considerable deficit from the current budget.—Associated Press.

The resolution also asked the Government to fill the existing vacancies on its own official peace delegation. Submitted by Mr. Yung Pu-ti within 24 hours of the announcement of the composition of the Cabinet, the emergency resolution was passed unanimously by the Legislative Yuan, practically without debate.

Communist willingness to hold formal peace negotiations with the Nationalists was reported to have been expressed last month in the exchange of views between the Communist leaders and the Shanghai non-partisan peace delegation.

The two existing Nationalist peace delegates, General Chang Chi-chung and Mr. Shao Li-tse, are expected now to remain in their positions. They were reported earlier to be appointment of Dr. Fu, Ping, considering resigning, but the change as Foreign Minister is understood to have brightened their belief in the prospects of early peace.

The Nationalist peace formula answering the Communist leader, Mr. Mao Tse-tung's eight peace terms is expected to be considered here again tomorrow.
Acting President Li Tsung-jen today ordered members of the newly formed Ho Ying-chin Cabinet to Nanking where this week they will begin guiding Nationalist China through the greatest crisis in its 22-year history.

New Minister

General Li Tsung-jen urgently called all Cabinet appointments now away from the capital to fly here. Mr. Fu Ping-chung, Foreign Minister, was announced as the new Minister of Education.
Some hope that peace talks will begin soon came from the Nationalist liaison officer in Peiping.

Premier Ho Ying-chin rushed preparations for his first Cabinet meeting tentatively scheduled for tomorrow. Selection of peace delegates to negotiate with the Communists will head the agenda.

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Huang Shi-hun, who radio telephoned Nanking urging early appointment of the Nanking delegates. He expressed belief that the Communists will announce their intention to talk peace after the Government delegates are named.

Li Tsung-jen and his Premier were already drafting the list of delegates.

List Of Delegates

But the Government still faces the grim fact that it has no formal guarantee from the Communists that they will talk peace. The Nanking peace formula pointed up a problem confronting the Government in the next critical weeks of just plain survival.

The Ministry National Defence, after a series of top-level discussions today, said it has announced the Nationalist army into a more effective fighting machine. They are:

1. The armed forces to be reduced to only 4,000,000 men;
2. The officers and men to be paid in silver dollars to boost morale;
3. Overlapping military organization to be merged or dissolved;
4. The padding of payrolls to be halted to save expenditures.

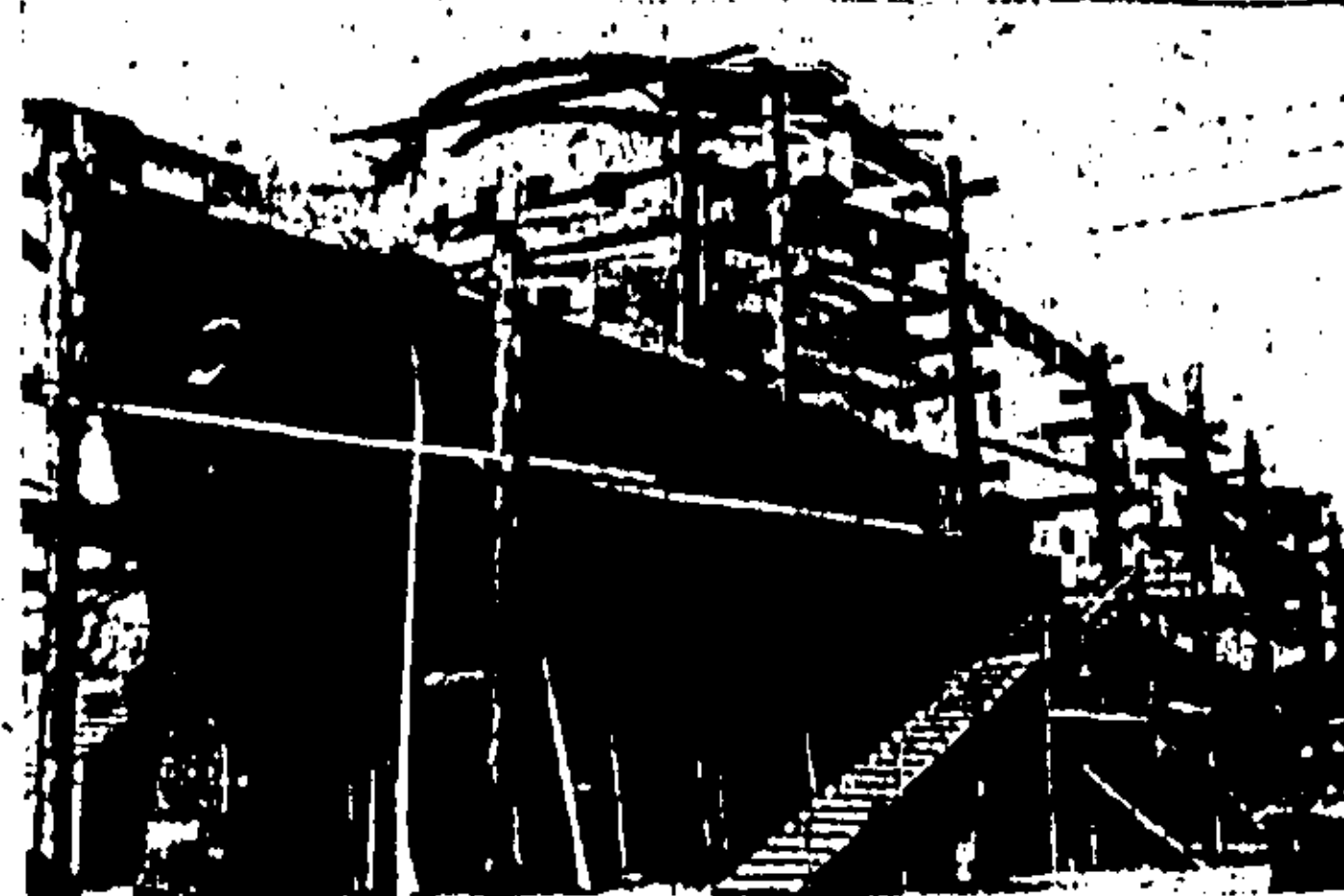
At the same time the Legislative Yuan also drafted a 14-point political reform programme for the reconstruction of the new government. The programme, among other things, provides for drastic cut in armed forces' personnel and organizations, more equitable distribution of power between the central and local governments, revamping of political organs, the conscription and forced requisitioning systems, issuance of an auxiliary metallic currency and streamlining of the government's banking system.—United Press.

Communist Radio

Meanwhile the Chinese Communist radio today fired a barrage of guns on many Southeast Asian countries for their alleged servitude to the United States. Starting off with a repetition of charges that the United States is planning to "subjugate" Taiwan, the broadcast devoted most of its verbal blasts at the Dutch and at Indonesians who rejected the Communist leadership.

Regarding Taiwan, the broadcast said, "The people of Taiwan cannot tolerate the scheme of so-called independence fostered by American imperialism and its lackeys for enslaving the Taiwan people and, even more, annexing Taiwan as a mandated territory."
A Chinese intelligence officer, who recently arrived here after eight years of duty in Tibet, said today that the Tibetan government is ready to move in to take over the control of Sikkim province, if the Nationalist forces there were reduced much further through General Liu Wen-hui's efforts to regain his lost territory in Szechuan province.
The officer said that Liu was moving troops into Szechuan province in an effort to try to wrest from Wang Ling-chi the territory which he lost 10 years ago when Liu was ousted by his nephew, the late General Liu Sheng.
The intelligence officer said the Tibetans are watching closely, and, aided by tribal chieftains in Sikkim, could make an easy conquest of Sikkim.

First Steel River Ship



Six months ago the keel of the Colony's first steel river motorship in a decade was laid with Taoist rites at the Wing On Shing Shipyard at Cheungshing. Work on the \$5,000,000 mv. Tai Loy since then has progressed ahead of schedule and the launching is expected to take place in June during the Dragon Boat Festival. Picture shows the 700-ton de luxe river vessel as she looks today. "China Mail" Photo.

Work On Steel Ship Progressing Rapidly

(By Our Harbour Reporter)

Work on the Colony's first steel river motorship is progressing rapidly and her launching is expected to take place during the June Dragon Boat festivals—three months before the deadline.

The three 600 H.P. Diesel engines of the HK\$5,000,000 de luxe Hong Kong-Macao service vessel are being assembled now and the mv. Tai Loy will probably have her trial run by September.

Six months ago—on September 16, 1948—early at dawn the keel was laid at the Wing On Shing Shipyard with solemn Taoist rites, disproving Rudyard Kipling's "East is East, West is West, and never the twain shall meet."
Today, propped by sturdy scaffolding, the Tai Loy is gradually taking the shape of what will be a streamlined "floating room," equipped with all the latest navigation aids including radar, air-conditioning, heating system and possibly a theatre.

Ton-hour Schedule
About 300 labourers, including skilled artisans, are employed daily to work on the vessel, working on a 10-hour schedule.

"Progress has been beyond our expectations," despite the three weeks of lost working days because of bad weather," an official is asserted.

Baby Contest Decisions
The Judges of the "China Mail" baby competition have now made their decisions.
Dr. T. P. Wu, Miss C. Scott-Moncrieff, M.B.E., and Mr. Francis Wu made their prize-winning selections not on the photographic quality of the entries, but from the point of view of a healthy, happy, good-looking baby.

The remaining part of the competition—to let the three winners judge the entries—will be fully announced in the "China Mail" Wednesday supplement on March 30. Everyone may enter and there is a prize of \$100 for the most correct selection.

declared yesterday.
"Even visiting foreign experts have remarked that work on the Tai Loy is even better than on some ships in the United Kingdom," he asserted.

The interior decorations and other accessories have recently arrived from the United States and England. For the cabin bulkhead, holoplast will be used, which will incidentally be the first usage of its kind in Hong Kong.
Her engines, capable of a top speed of 12 knots, with a cruising speed of 10 knots, arrived early this year from England. They are being assembled now and "we expect to test her by September," he said.
All round her super-structure, weather-proof sliding glass windows will be installed to provide better view for passengers.
"We hope to equip the Tai Loy with radar and also provide movie entertainment. But nothing is definite as yet."

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'Lancer' Starts On Sunday

A combined Police-Army-Navy-Air Force exercise to be called "Lancer" will start at midnight on Sunday, the "China Mail" learned yesterday.

This will be the second exercise of its kind since the Liberation. The first, named "Fulcrum," was held in December last.
The "Lancer" exercise, to last a week, will be held in the New Territories.
All police stations on the island and in Kowloon, and all military, naval and air force establishments in the city will be placed on a war footing.

Key installations such as communications, utilities and the waterworks will be guarded by police, military, naval and air force organizations will be by special pass only.

TO DOUBLE HK's WATER IN 10 YEARS

Hong Kong's water resources are to be doubled within the next 10 years.

The new source of supply will come from the Tai Lam Chung Valley in the New Territories, investigation, which included extensive drilling and a geophysical survey, were completed last year, according to the 1948 annual report of the Government.

The report added it is hoped that it will be possible to make an early start on the new scheme. Daily consumption of water in Hong Kong is about 30,000,000 gallons. Peak consumption was more than 40,000,000 Gallons.
A new 8,000,000-gallon-a-day rapid gravity filtration plant is being erected at Stubbs Road. The work is almost completed. A residential building to house staff at the plant is also under construction.

At West Point, a new 400,000-gallon covered concrete service reservoir has been completed. Plans for new slow sand filters at Wongneichong to improve the Shouson Hill supply have been prepared but the work has not yet been started.

More Natives Occupy Managerial Positions

The time has passed when young men could come out from Europe at minimum salaries with the hope of building a real future for themselves in the Far East.

This is the opinion of Mr. John Zylstra, Far East representative of the Nash-Kelvinator Corporation, who has just completed a tour of Asian countries, including the Dutch East Indies, Malaya, Indo-China and the Philippines.

Today in each of these countries, Mr. Zylstra told the "China Mail," citizens of the countries are taking over the managements of firms, though the firms may be foreign-owned.

The rising feeling of nationalism in these countries lies at the root of this change.

"But it is more than that," Mr. Zylstra pointed out. "Today the people themselves are better educated and have a higher standard of living than before the war."

For that reason it is becoming increasingly to the advantage of foreign companies to appoint nationals in the countries where they have branches to positions of control, rather than to "import" young men, however promising, from home.

Mr. Zylstra said that a number of young men whom he has met in his travels over here seemed to have realized this and many have decided not to return after their home leaves.

Mr. Zylstra, who arrived here yesterday by a Pan American plane from Bangkok, will visit local distributors of his firm's products during his stay in Hong Kong.

The production of household refrigerators in the United States this year is expected to reach an all-time high of 7,000,000 units he said, and manufacturers will be able to fill all distributors' orders for the first time since the war.

Political conditions and the shortage of electrical power are the main drawbacks to the sale of electrical appliances in the Far East.
"Indonesia will be one of the biggest markets, both for British and American products as soon as conditions are settled and should come second only to the Philippines in this respect," he predicted.

HK TRAMWAYS RENDER RECORD SERVICE IN 1948

Reduced-rate student tickets will be issued by the Hong Kong Tramways shortly, Mr. Robert Gordon, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Hong Kong Tramways Limited, told the annual meeting of shareholders yesterday.
Commenting on the progress made during 1948, Mr. Gordon said that in the year under review, trams carried 8,000,000 more passengers than the highest record before the war.

Net profit totalled HK\$3,700,158. In addition to the rheostatic electric and hand-operated brakes, 63 per cent of the trams are today fitted with air-brakes.

Mr. Gordon added: "The year has been an extremely satisfactory one from every point of view. By January 1948 we had achieved the provision of regular services just about equivalent to the 1941 average of 90 trams. Progression was sustained to the level of 99 cars in the month of December and at present time the figure is 103."

"Thus we have been able to carry some 8,000,000 passengers more than the pre-war highest record and this with a very marked improvement from the disorderly overcrowding that obtained throughout 1946 and far into the year 1947."

During the recent Chinese New Year period, when a service of up to 106 cars was operated, nearly 2,000,000 passengers were carried, in one week. This was a 30 per cent heavier traffic than for Chinese New Year 1948.

"The new standards mark a level considerably higher than ever before attained. A schedule of 40 seconds headway throughout the central districts is now maintained against the 1941 highest frequency of 45 seconds. All past records for mileage run, consumption of power, tickets issued in their several classifications, passengers a car-mile and total traffic carried have been left far behind, with the particular feature, entirely contrary to the pre-war relationship, that the most notable increase has been in 1st class traffic which currently registers a proportion of almost one-half of the whole."

More Passengers
"A total of 21,500,000 more passengers were carried than in the preceding year and 53½ per cent of that increase is represented by additional 1st class passengers, although our expanded operations provided, proportionately, greater additional third class accommodation."

"Popularity of our special rate monthly ticket is unabated. There are now 37 per cent more regular users of this ticket than in 1941 and the nominal roll of holders grows from month to month. Similar to the 1st class Military ticket, a half-fare Children's ticket was introduced in September. Exclusively, although the latter ticket was current during only four months of the year, 13,000,000 passengers availed themselves of these concessions. Conforming to the practice before the war it is the intention, before the war it is the intention, to issue a similarly reduced-rate scholars' ticket."

"Although we are still handicapped to some extent in matter of the supply of electrical equipment, the delay in obtaining supplies to which I referred last year has been substantially relieved."

"Consequently, the first three new trams intended for as far back as 1946 are now in service, the remainder in course of workshop assembly; and, provided up-to-date delivery promises for some still-outstanding components are honoured, it is expected to have completed the full rehabilitation of all rolling stock and the construction of new units up to a total of 118 service cars by autumn 1949."

"Equipment orders for bringing into service six further cars have also been placed."

Technical Outlay
Considerable expenditure is being incurred in technical, safety device and constructional modernization, including a standardised replacement in traction-motor specification, on all trams, and air control and air powered braking.

"Air brakes additional to the rheostatic electric and hand-operated brakes are now fitted to 65 per cent of our cars. Outstanding deliveries of this equipment for the remainder will be reaching us during the summer months."

"Our construction of an entirely re-laid track and permanent-way foundations over Causeway Road commenced in the path of Government work in October. Join-up between Causeway Bay terminus and King's Road of the new Eastbound-track was effected on March with commencement of uninterrupted two-way through traffic."

"Our part of the work in this undertaking is expected to be completed next week and the Colony will shortly possess an absolutely first class arterial highway through this district."

"During the year Wongneichong Road track in vicinity of the Jockey Club was centrally re-laid so as to permit a better flow of traffic in that area. It is soon expected to commence conversion of some remaining single track to double track at the Eastern end of Shaukiwan Road and having at last obtained essential rail supplies, work will also proceed on other track sections awaiting renewal attention."

"On the development programme just mentioned various other technical modifications, additional trams and permanent way development, your Company will have to face an expenditure of some \$3,000,000, of which possibly one-half will be laid out during 1949."

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From the 5th Medical Department of the Council of Austria Prof. Dr. Schickel of the I. R. General Hospital of Vienna. At the request of the maker, Serravallo's Tonic was introduced into this Department by Dr. Stein in order to try its value. To get a comparative measure of the results obtained, the patients were weighed every week, always with regard to the time of their meals, the amount of food eaten and the quantity of fecal matter passed, and measured as to Haemoglobin, according to Fleischl, for the Erythrocyte coefficient, according to Thomas-Zeiss, and for the pressure of the blood, according to Baush. The results observed after giving the patients Serravallo's Tonic will be seen in the following table:

Age	Sex	Initial	Final	Weight	Haemoglobin	Erythrocyte	Pressure
10 years	Male	100	110	100	100	100	100
10 years	Female	100	110	100	100	100	100
10 years	Male	100	110	100	100	100	100
10 years	Female	100	110	100	100	100	100
10 years	Male	100	110	100	100	100	100
10 years	Female	100	110	100	100	100	100
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10 years	Female	100	110	100	100	100	100
10 years	Male	100	110	100	100	100	100
10 years	Female	100	110	100	100	100	100

From the above figures, it will be seen that the patients show an increase in the quantity of haemoglobin, in the number of red corpuscles, therefore that the changes which are generally produced by treatment with iron are also produced by giving Serravallo's Tonic. I must however remark that this mixture was willingly taken by two patients, to whom other iron mixtures had been given, but who could not stand them; that therefore this must be mentioned as an advantage which this mixture has over others: it never caused any disturbance to the stomach.

On the contrary, patients suffering from Chlorosis with want of appetite (in consequence of parenchymatous gastritis) Serravallo's Tonic proved itself a very powerful appetizer. The same result was obtained in six other cases with anorexia during convalescence after different illnesses and always had a speedy effect.

The increase of appetite was described by the patients themselves to this mixture, and was most willingly taken on account of its agreeable taste. Therefore Serravallo's Tonic is most advisable in cases where the therapeutic use of iron is intended to act as a tonic to the appetite, such as in primary and secondary Anaemia, in slow convalescence and especially for children.

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Though Outwardly Gay,
HK Betrays Cold Apathy

Hong Kong appears to be altogether a gay, brighter, friendlier city than Singapore, but deep within its heart can be detected a cold apathy.

That is the opinion of a visiting journalist, John Behague, who is also the Commandant of the Malayan Air Training Corps, an organisation identical to that which supplied Britain with young airmen during her hour of need.

Before leaving for Singapore by POAS plane, Mr. Behague told the China Mail: "The majority of people I spoke to during my short stay in Hong Kong seemed reluctant to discuss the future. Few, it appeared, seemed to have given the matter more than a fleeting thought. Most, I found, were far more interested in the tennis championships, favourites for the Lincolnshire Handicap and the local weather forecast than in the issues in China and the West."

"It is fortunate for the social butterflies frequenting the local bright spots that those who direct Government policy are awake to the need for stronger defence measures."

Plans For Future

"I was impressed," he continued, "with plans for the future."

Comments On
Hong Kong

MR. JOHN BEHAGUE

Reminders

Today

Tue H Club meeting, Tai Bot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Combined Debate with Tue H, European YMCA, 8.45 p.m.
Flag Whist (Guest Morning), Women's Section, European YMCA, 10 a.m.
First Aid Lecture, St. John Ambulance Brigade Headquarters, Causeway Bay, 6 p.m.
HK and Shanghai Hotels, Limited, annual general meeting, Exchange Building, 12 noon.
Bank of Canton, Limited, annual general meeting, 3 p.m.
Little Flower Club, annual general meeting, clubhouse, 6 p.m.
Sino-British Club Orchestra rehearsal, Cosmo Club, 6 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Y's Men's Club of Hong Kong, luncheon at Roof Garden, HK Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
British Council weekly show: "Scenes of Britain," speaker: Mr. J. R. Jones, 5.30 p.m., Helena May Institute.

FRIDAY
Members Guest Night, Dinner and Show, European YMCA, 7.30 p.m.
Demonstration of Dek-al Art Work, Women's Section, European YMCA, 10 a.m.

SATURDAY
Hong Kong-Lingnam Universities annual athletic meeting.
HK Art Club, monthly exhibition, Helena May Institute, 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

explained to me in the course of conversations with defence chiefs in Hong Kong.

"It is a pity that those of Hong Kong and those who are shaking themselves with self-righteous rage over the increased expenditure on defence cannot rouse themselves to analyse the contents of their own newspapers."

Hong Kong might be able to learn something from Singapore's defence organisation, Mr. Behague said.

"But Singapore can learn a lot from Hong Kong, too," he declared. "I was surprised to find that the Hong Kong dollar went almost as far as our Straits dollar, which theoretically is worth twice as much."

Food Prices

Food prices, he said, were on a par with those in Malaya. "But your taxis, bus fares, cinema seats, hotel expenses and prices of general merchandise are definitely cheaper."

On the subject of courtesy and public spiritedness, he had this to say: "I was appalled by the shocking display of bad manners by ferry passengers. Not content with performing acrobatic feats to force themselves to the head of the queue, they use all the tactics of judo to maintain their positions."

Reflecting for a moment, he suggested: "Maybe the best thing to do would be to eliminate ferries altogether and build a tunnel across the harbour, then those who were really in a hurry could walk or run, and the others could drive their own cars or go by bus."

Japanese
War Criminal
Hanged

A Japanese Army lieutenant, Taketo Yoshikawa, aged 39, convicted on December 30 last of war crimes, was hanged at Stanley Prison yesterday morning.

At an inquest held at Central later, with Mr. F. X. d'Almada as Coroner, the jury returned a verdict of death by judicial hanging.

S.J. Moalem
Discharged

Charged with forging and uttering a Bill of Lading, S.J. Moalem was discharged by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central on Monday.

In giving his decision, Mr. d'Almada said: "I am satisfied on the evidence before me that the defendant has acted upon the power of attorney granted him on the belief it was never revoked."

"The defendant went to Benjamin's office and requested him to sign the Bill of Lading. This was refused and the defendant said: 'If you do not want to sign it, I have a power of attorney.' If this had not been the case and if the power of attorney had been revoked, I feel certain that he would have been informed immediately that his power of attorney had been revoked."

"I must accept the defendant's version as to the power of attorney and I feel that the power of attorney has never been revoked in the matter. Benjamin had no alternative as he was forced to prosecute the case by the Chinese Maritime Customs."

Mr. H.G. Sheldon, K.C. instructed by Mr. F. Hammond was for the prosecution and Mr. M. A. da Silva was for Benjamin.

Ship Runs
Off Course

Thick fog forced the ss. Surprise to run about 700 yards off the normal course into Waglan Point at 1 a.m. yesterday, where she remained aground for 12 hours.

Slight damage was sustained on the bottom, but the cargo was reported safe. There was no leakage.

Assisted by two Talook tugs, the 8,000-ton American freighter pulled off at 12.55 p.m. and under her own steam proceeded to Kowloon Bay, where she is undergoing survey by Talook divers.

"The Surprise ran aground in dense fog when she was travelling at dead slow speed yesterday. She suffered only slight damage but did not take in water," the local agents, United States Line, reported.

Several vessels arriving here yesterday reported being delayed by fog.

APL's Monroe
Arrives In HK

The ss. President Monroe arrived here yesterday on another of her "Millionaire Cruises" from Shanghai.

The APL luxurious liner has a large group of business executives and officials aboard, who are making a round-the-world trip.

The monthly exhibition of the Hong Kong Art Club will be held at the Helena May Institute on Saturday at 2 p.m.

Governor Officiates At
Opening Of Rediffusion

Rediffusion in Hong Kong was formally declared open by the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, in a speech over Broadcast Relay Service Rediffusion Studio yesterday evening.

A review of rediffusion and the objects of the enterprise was given by Mr. M. F. Watson, Chairman of Directors of Broadcast Relay Service (Hong Kong) Ltd.

Rediffusion, he said, is a system of broadcasting which, instead of going over the air, goes over wires to the subscriber's home. Reception is, therefore, as nearly perfect as possible, and is not costly.

Though rediffusion went as far back as 1878, it was not until the invention of the vacuum valve and other improvements some 20 years ago to amplify the signals carried over the wire, that real progress has been made, as possible, and is not costly.

The Hong Kong project is a child of the parent company in England, which has been operating for some 20 years, with services in Malta and Trinidad, and they hope soon to branch out into Singapore and other parts of the Far East.

In Malta more than 16,000 out of a family population of 23,000 were subscribers, and in Trinidad there was a likelihood soon of every family using the service.

"From this you will see that the service which we are now opening is not an experiment but something which in other parts of the world has become a daily necessity," said Mr. Watson.

The Hong Kong company proposes to originate its own programmes as well as relay overseas programmes which will be received by an up-to-date broadcast receiving station at Shatin in the New Territories.

Commercially sponsored programmes will be presented, in practice, which is common in many other parts of the world, giving as they do better and more varied programmes to listeners. These programmes will be closely watched so as to bring in such improvements as will best suit Hong Kong listeners.

In addition to rediffusion service the company's receiving station will bring to subscribers ordinary radio programmes and news from other parts of the world.

So far the company has installed some 50,000 yards of wiring, and there are still about 150,000 yards to be installed before all applicants will be connected up.

Before declaring the service open, Sir Alexander Grantham said when he heard that the programme would run from 7 o'clock in the morning to 12 midnight, he was appalled. That left only seven out of 24 hours in which which one could enjoy peace and quiet. True, he could turn off the switch if he did not want to listen in, but he could not, even as Governor, turn off his neighbour's switch.

However, said Sir Alexander, speaking seriously, he hoped the public would welcome this continuous entertainment from early morning until midnight. A well-known cleric had recently said Hong Kong was 50 years behind the times and possibly the introduction of this latest service for our entertainment would help us to catch up.

Entertainment
Sir Alexander said he believed one of the conditions of the company's franchise was that Government may take half an hour of its daily programme.

"I pray to goodness they will not use it for those extremely dull announcements," said Sir Alexander. "I hope they will try to give us something light and entertaining. I suggest a talk by one of the occupants of the Government flats at the Watson Hill, whose falling plasters have been exercising their minds very much of late."

The rest of the evening was devoted to a programme of music and other selections from the studio. One of the highlights was a piano solo by six-year-old Miss Wu, whose playing was watched by a large number of spectators.

More than 500 guests were entertained to a cocktail party in celebration of the occasion.

Mr. M. M. Watson, Chairman of the Board, Mr. Frank Morris, Managing Director, and Dr. S. N. Chau, Director, received the guests.

Bathing Huts & Sites
Allocated By Ballot

Seventy-seven bathing huts and sites at South Bay and Middle Bay beaches were allocated to members of the public by ballot yesterday. The balloting took place at the Urban Council conference room.

Applications for the huts and sites totalled 899. The 77 successful ballotees were:

South Bay: George Y.K. Sun, S. de Champeaux, S.C.N. Chau, Chan Cheung, K.B. Lui, Tang Lin-for, M.J. Stuart, Leung Ping-po, Jack Y.S. Fong, Ng Hin-kuen, H.W.A. Mackichan, Lambert Kwok, Lok Kin-ping, Ng Shau Hong, Dr. T.K. Lien, Fung Wo-yin, Tse Kwanyung, S.S. Ho, Cheung Cho-sun, Dr. Arthur W. Woo, Miss Yip Sau-ying, C.Y. Ting, Law Chung-hung, Ho Yik-swee, Tai Hon-chuen, Shin Chung-sang, Liang Tze-wah, H.A. Noronha, Miss M. Brown, Tai Lai-ting, Chan Yik-nan.

Middle Bay: Ernest Winkler, Fung Kai-yung, Mrs. P.N. Dowell, Lau Po-tam, Mrs. Leung-yin, Henry Chung, W. Sprague, Chen Wing-chun, Ho Shui-ting, Wai Hoi-kee, K.W. Kirby, Miss Wai Tai-koo, Mrs. Fung Yee-pui, Chow Koon-chi, Lai Chak, The Shiu-kwai, W. Crickson, Dr. Shin Kwai-sang, G. Couste, Chan Yau-yiu, S.H. Wong, Poon Che-fun, I.L. Hui, Yu Ki-lung, Dr. Poon Iun-ang, Ho Tse-nang, Wai Yuen-lung, Wong Cheuk-woo, Li Pook-shu, J.W. Jones, Kam Tong-po, Mrs. Irene B. de Roza, J.B. Dewhurst, Mrs. Lambert Kwok, Leung Wing-chun, Hans F. Mueller, Miss Lee-tong, Chey Kwok-chiu, Fung Mo-ying, E.S. Kwan, Miss Margarita Mary Ho, Mrs. Chan Yiu-Walley Chang and Cheng Shu-nan.

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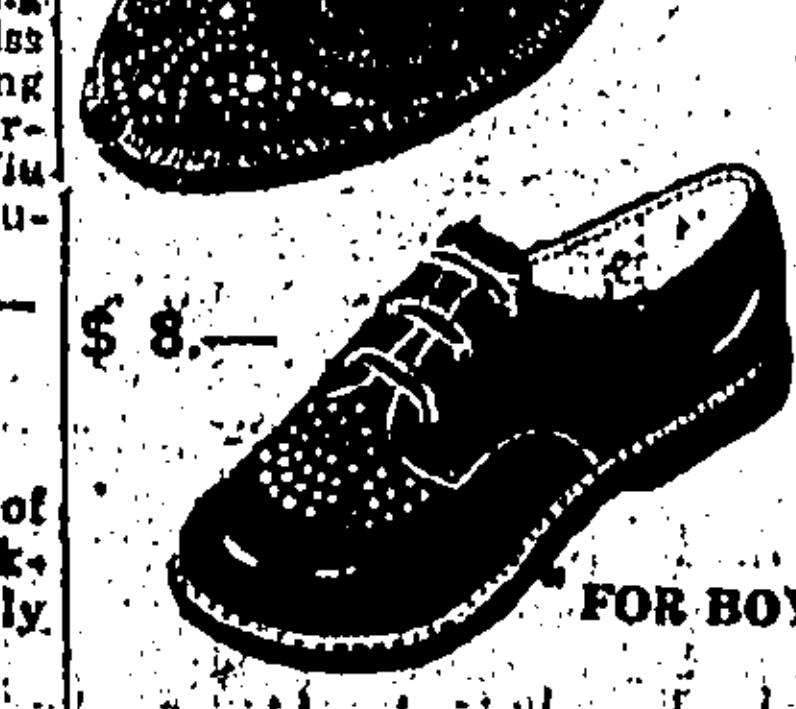
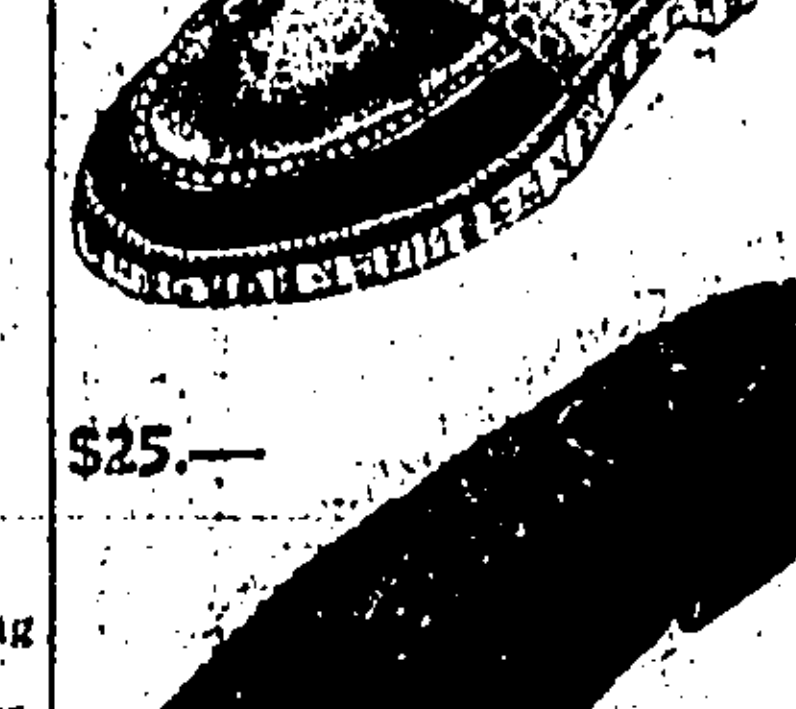
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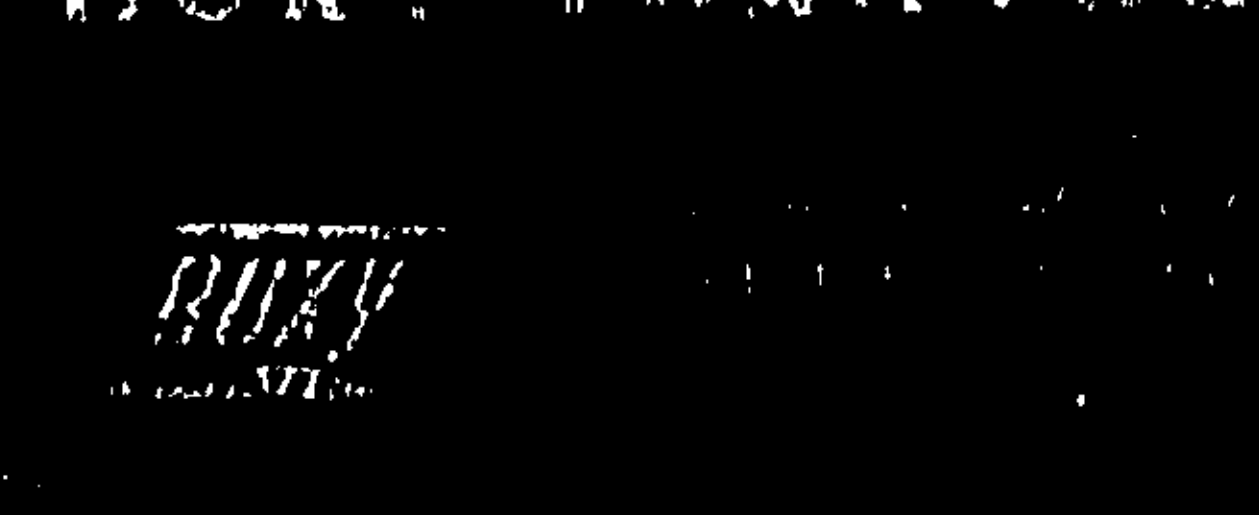
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SHANGHAI LIGHT HORSE ASSOCIATION HONG KONG BRANCH ANNUAL DINNER

THE ANNUAL DINNER WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH NEXT (GRAND NATIONAL NIGHT) AT THE SPORTS CLUB, KING'S BUILDING (by kind permission of the Chairman and Committee) AT 8 P.M. THOSE EX-MEMBERS WISHING TO ATTEND ARE KINDLY REQUESTED TO NOTIFY J.K.R. MACGREGOR ESQ. c/o CALDBECK MAGGREGOR & CO., LTD., 2 CHATER ROAD, BEFORE NOON ON FRIDAY, MARCH 25TH. DRESS—BLACK TIE.

HONGKONG LAWN BOWLS ASSOCIATION NOTICE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held in the Board Room of the South China Morning Post Ltd. (by kind permission) on Wednesday, 30th March 1949, at 5.30 p.m.

AGENDA

- (1) Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting.
- (2) To receive the report of the Honorary Secretary.
- (3) To receive the accounts of the Honorary Treasurer.
- (4) To elect officers for the ensuing year.
- (5) General Business.

W. HONG SLING, Hon. Secretary.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS

ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING.

Notice is hereby given that the Fifty-eighth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Members of the Company will be held at the office of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Company Limited, Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on Monday the 11th day of April, 1949, at Noon, to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and consider the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948.
2. To sanction a dividend in respect of the year 1948.
3. To elect two Directors.
4. To appoint Auditors.

CLOSING OF TRANSFER BOOKS.

Notice is also given that the Transfer Books and Register of Members will be closed from the 28th March, 1949 to the 11th April, 1949, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

G. B. S. THOMSON, Secretary.

Hong Kong, March 21, 1949.

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company (Second Floor, Exchange Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong) on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of March, 1949, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors, together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1948, and to re-elect a Director and appoint Auditors.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members

Australian Subscription Ponies 1950

The Stewards have ordered a batch of 100 Australian Subscription Ponies to race in 1950 and they now invite Members to subscribe for them.

An application form has been posted to every Member. In the event of non-delivery further forms may be obtained at the Club's Office, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

The Subscription List will close with THURSDAY, 31st MARCH, 1949.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

Hong Kong, Feb. 21, 1949.

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Ordinary Yearly General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the ordinary yearly general meeting of shareholders of the company will be held at the Head Office of the company, 6, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Wednesday, the 23rd March, 1949 at 3.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1948 and for the appointment of Directors and Auditors and declaration of dividends.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from the 16th day of March to 23rd March, 1949 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

By order of the Board, D. S. YUAN, Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, March 9, 1949.

Indian Delegate On Way To Tokyo

Mr. K. N. Kaul, Indian Government representative to the Sterling area trade conference in Tokyo, passed through Hong Kong yesterday.

The purpose of the forthcoming conference is to review the achievements of the past year and make plans for the future, he said.

On the same Pan American plane was Mr. H. P. Kaul, a cousin of the Indian Government delegate, also on his way to Tokyo. Mr. H. P. Kaul, who represents the Webbing and Belting Factory Limited of Delhi, said that he would not be attending the trade conference during his forthcoming long visit in Japan. He will investigate the possibilities of purchasing textile machinery for his firm.

POST OFFICE MAIL NOTICE

Outward Mails OUTWARD AIRMAIL SCHEDULE TO UNITED KINGDOM

Commencing from Monday, March 21, 1949, the Outward Airmail to United Kingdom will be closed on Mondays and Thursdays at Kowloon GPO 4.30 p.m. and Hong Kong GPO 5 p.m. (Registered mail half an hour earlier).

Unless otherwise stated, Registered Articles and Parcel Post close 30 minutes earlier than the ordinary mail. If mails close before 10 a.m., Registered and Parcel Post close at 8 p.m. on the previous day. Mails are closed at Kowloon Central Post Office half an hour earlier than the GPO closing times.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23

Canton and Hankow, (Kowloon GPO) 7.30 a.m., 10 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 2.30 p.m.; (GPO) 7 a.m., 9.30 a.m., Noon, 2 p.m. Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m. Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. Airmail for Manila, (Reg.) Noon, (Ord.) 12.30 p.m.

Airmail for Shanghai, Nanking and Tientsin; Airmail for Swatow, Amoy and Tientsin; Airmail for Fuzhou, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. Closing Times by Sea: Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Sydney, (Par. and Reg.) 2.30 p.m., (Ord.) 3 p.m. Straits, Ceylon, Madagascar, Aden, Egypt and United Kingdom via London, (Reg.) 9.30 a.m., (Ord.) 10 a.m.

Shanghai, Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcel for Canada), (Par. and Reg.) 2.30 p.m., (Ord.) 3 p.m.

Japan, 2 p.m. Manila, Macassar, Mauritius and South Africa via Durban, 3 p.m. Straits, Rangoon and Calcutta, 3 p.m. Singapore, 3 p.m. Swatow, 3 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 24

Closing Times by Air: Airmail for Swatow and Amoy, (Reg.) 8.30 a.m., (Ord.) 9 a.m. Airmail for Shanghai, (Reg.) 9 a.m., (Ord.) 9.30 a.m. Airmail for Amoy, Nanking and Tientsin, (Reg.) 8 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m. Airmail for Kowloon; Airmail for Swatow and Tientsin, (Reg.) 3 p.m., (Ord.) 3.30 p.m.

Airmail for Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrain, Alexandria (Nairobi, Johannesburg, via Moscow), via Alexandria, Rome and London, Kowloon GPO: (Reg.) 4 p.m., (Ord.) 4.30 p.m.; GPO: (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Airmail for Bangkok, Batavia, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m. Airmail for Shanghai and Japan, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m. Airmail for Singapore, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m.

Closing Times by Sea: Bangkok, 10 p.m. Penang, 2 p.m. Tanjong (via Canton), 5 p.m. FRIDAY, MARCH 25

Airmail for Manila, Honolulu, USA and Canada, (Reg.) 4.30 p.m., (Ord.) 5 p.m. Air Parcel Post for Manila, Honolulu and USA, (Kowloon GPO) 4.30 p.m., (GPO) 5 p.m.

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By Dick Turner



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SAFETY IN DIRECTION

MOST No Trump game contracts which depend on the declarer's care are to some extent problems in direction. They hinge upon his keeping a particular defender from gaining the lead at a dangerous time, when allowing his partner to have the lead can do no harm. The risk may come from the fact that the dangerous defender has an established suit which he can run. Or it may arise from his ability to lead through an honour which will be trapped thereby in a tenace. In other words, safety lies in one direction and danger in the other.

S Q 7 5 2
H 10 8 3 2
D J 6 4
C J D

S A 10 9
H A K J
D 10 7 5
C A 10 6

S K J
H 8 5
D Q 7 2
C A 10 7 5 2

(Dealer: West. Neither side vulnerable.)

West North East South
1 H Pass 2 NT Pass
3 NT

The declarer found a way to get himself set on this contract which should have been alright. He won the club 5 lead to the J with the K, scored four hearts for two spade discards, then the diamond A and K, followed by the 9. The J won that, since South was smart enough to discard his Q on the K. North then returned the club 9, and East's goose was cooked by the four

tricks in that suit resulting from the trapping of his Q. East should have concentrated effort on keeping North out of the lead at all hazards, not worrying about the lead being lost to South, who could not hurt him with a club lead up to the Q. After winning the first club trick, he should have led to the diamond A and brought forth the last South would have his spade K under the A. Otherwise, East might make him lead up to the club Q at the end.

Tomorrow's Problem

S 9 7 3
H 6
D A Q
C K Q 5 4 3 2

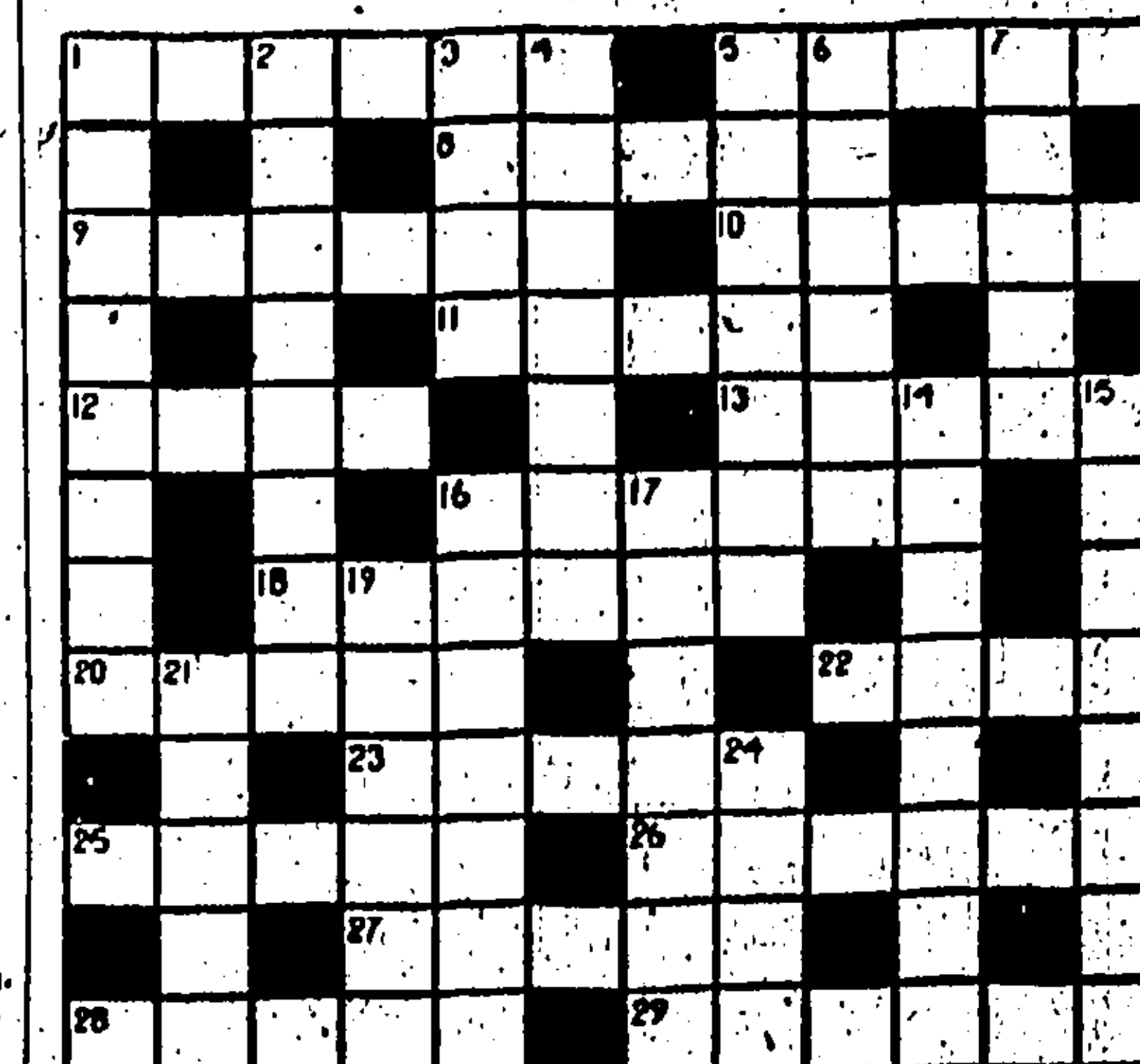
S None
H A K J
D 10 7 5
C A 10 6

S K J 6 2
H 9 4 3
D K 9 4
C 9 8

(Dealer: East. East-West vulnerable.)

What danger threatens a careless declarer at 4-Hearts in the West after North leads the club K?

A BRITISH CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across

- 1 Tree.
- 5 Tapering structure above tower.
- 8 Allude.
- 9 Shoot.
- 10 Stage show.
- 11 Initiate.
- 12 Accusation.
- 13 Lubricated.
- 16 Read.
- 18 Traffic.
- 20 Guide.
- 23 Book.
- 25 Sedate.
- 26 Hut.
- 27 Wise man.
- 28 Postpone.
- 29 Not just now.
- 29 Protect.

Down

- 1 Grazing lands.
- 3 Saturate.
- 5 Lilly.
- 6 Gave up.
- 7 Works.
- 8 Summary.
- 9 Silt.
- 14 "Sott" drink.
- 15 Amused.
- 16 Associate.
- 17 Emended.
- 19 Dwell.
- 21 Diadem.
- 24 Challenge.

Yesterday's Crossword

Across: 1 Medlar, 5 Tact, 8 Year, 9 Zenith, 11 Upper, 13 De-mand, 14 East, 16 Evade, 18 Blame, 19 Last, 20 Temper, 24

Down: 25 Airing, 26 Rite, 27 Style, 28 Erased, 1 Down: 1 Maze, 2 Dead, 3 Atom, 4 Retard, 6 Trudge, 8 Capital, 7 Tartan, 10 Legat, 12 Jarring, 14 Holiday, 15 Restor, 17 Viper, 18 Banquet, 21 Pile, 22

RUSSIA MAY THREATEN WITHDRAWAL FROM UN

"A New Hitler" Threat To Jews

Jerusalem, March 21.
The Transjordan-controlled Arab radio station in Jerusalem today threatened the Jewish people with a new Arab Hitler, who would punish them for their treatment of Arab refugees in Palestine.

The broadcast was made as seven Arab countries met in Beirut under the auspices of the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission to discuss the plight of an estimated 730,000 Arab refugees.

The Radio said: "The Arabs will never forget the way in which the Jews are treating the Arab refugees. Such a people deserves an even worse fate than Hitler meted out to them. One day, the Arabs will take their revenge. Perhaps a third world war will come soon and the Jews will lose their new State—then the Arabs will strike without pity."

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London, March 21.
Observers here believe that the Soviet Union will take steps, at the United Nations' next meeting beginning at Lake Success on April 5, to condemn the North Atlantic Pact as incompatible with its Charter.

This would be done with the implied threat that if the United Nations approves the terms of the pact, Russia would no longer consider the United Nations as serving the purposes for which it was created at San Francisco and would have to consider her withdrawal from the organisation.

Speculation on the possibility of some dramatic Soviet counter-attack to the Atlantic Pact has been stimulated by two considerations:

1.—The signing of the pact the day before the United Nations meeting opens will provide Moscow with the ideal timing.
2.—Something of this sort was foreshadowed in the comprehensive statement of the Soviet Foreign Ministry on the North Atlantic Pact, published on January 20 in Moscow in reply to the U.S. State Department's previous official commentary entitled: "Building Peace. Collective Security in the North Atlantic Area."

The Soviet Foreign Ministry devoted the whole of the third section of its long declaration to considering the North Atlantic Pact as a factor undermining the United Nations Organisation.

Fait Accompli

This action rejected in advance the claim made in the draft text of the Atlantic Union that the pact is consistent with the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations.

It accused the Western powers of having planned and concluded both the Western Union and the Atlantic Union in circumstances that were behind the back of the United Nations Organisation and of placing before the United Nations a fait accompli.

"In actual fact, the North Atlantic Alliance and its adjoining groupings of States, headed by the ruling circles of the United States and Britain, constitute a direct undermining of the United Nations Organisation."

"Today these groupings aim at undermining the authority of the United Nations Organisation; tomorrow they may bring about the destruction of this organisation," the Soviet statement said.—Reuter.

DUEL IS OFF

Buenos Aires, March 21.
A duel arranged between the Stock Exchange President, Jose Hernandez, and a financial writer, Dr. Rudolf Katz, will not be fought, seconds for both men said today.

Dr. Katz was challenged by Senor Hernandez because of an article he wrote in the financial weekly, "Economic Survey," criticising Exchange officers. However, Dr. Katz seconds explained that the writer had not intended to offend Senor Hernandez, but was within his journalistic rights and privileges.—United Press.

Insurance Against War

Los Angeles, March 21.
Field Marshal Viscount Alexander, Governor-General of Canada, today called the North Atlantic Pact the best insurance against a third world war.

Speaking at the University of California, he said: "It is a comfort in these troubled times to know that the Western nations are aware of the dangers. At last they are moving towards a policy of mutual defence."

"We shall lose the heritage of our forefathers unless we combine to withstand certain extremely evil and dangerous forces in the world today," Lord Alexander said.—Reuter.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second and on 9.52 megacycles per second in the 31 metre band.

12.15 p.m.—Morning Progress.
12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.32 p.m.—New Concert Orchestra.
1.00 p.m.—Vaughan Williams' English Folk Songs—Suite. Columbia Broadcasting Symphony Orchestra.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—"From the Shows."
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
6.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.
6.01 p.m.—Love Novels and His Made with Sylvia Gell, Olive Gilbert, Mable Andrews, John Stevens and HMC News Chorus and Orch. (HITS)
6.30 p.m.—Sham's Honolulu Hawaiian.
6.40 p.m.—Pete Valdermann at the (Studio)
7.00 p.m.—World News and News Analysis. (London Relay)
7.15 p.m.—New Variety with Billy Butterfield and His Orchestra.
7.30 p.m.—London Studio Melodies. A Programme of Continuous Music by the Melochon Saxophone with the Melochon Saxophone. (London Relay) Quartet. (HITS)
8.00 p.m.—"It's in the Air" Variety Request Programme. Presented by Susan Peters. (Studio)
8.00 p.m.—Orchestral Concert Given by the Royal Marines Band of HM "Hofstad" and HMS "London." Conducted by Warrant Officer Handmaster A. Siega LHAM. By Kind Permission of Vice-Admiral Sir Patrick Brind KCB, CBE, Ruler from the China Fleet Club (HITS)
10.00 p.m.—Radio News Rev. (London Relay)
10.15 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.15 p.m.—"Antiques" Presented by Clifford Davies. (Studio)
10.45 p.m.—"Songs of the River."
11.00 p.m.—Dance to Gerardo and His Orchestra.
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and Close Down.

CHINESE ADVICE TO JAVANESE

Nanking, March 22.
Indonesians were advised by the North Shensi Communist Radio last night to draw the necessary lessons from their own experiences and those of China and to establish a unified military proletarian front, together with the Soviet Union.

Provided they relied on their own strength and suffered no illusions about imperialism, it would be entirely possible, the broadcast said, for 70,000,000 Indonesians to win their struggle with the Dutch, and establish a People's Republic led by the proletariat as in China.

The anti-imperialist Soviet front is on the side of the Indonesians and is stronger than the Anglo-American imperialists, it said.

The broadcast condemned the anti-Communist Hatta Government as a reactionary bourgeois group of feudal autocrats, all civil servants of the Dutch, and even Japanese stooges could save the Republic from its own destruction.

It said the form of struggle must be armed guerrilla warfare in the rural areas and the vanguard of the proletariat—the Communist Party—must learn practical revolutionary methods in addition to the universal code of Marx and Lenin.—Reuter-AAP.

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Truman To Press For Wide Powers

Washington, March 21.

President Truman will request broad discretionary powers in the distribution of arms for Europe when the programme is submitted to Congress.

His aim is not to be tied down by Congressional instructions to allot a specific amount of the funds to any individual country. Instead, he will ask for a total amount which can be distributed as the Secretary of State and he think fit.

Mr. Carl Vinson (Democrat, Georgia), Chairman of the House of Representatives Armed Services Committee, confidently predicted that his group and the House of Representatives as a whole will approve the scheme without a particle of trouble.

Some Congressional sources feel that the Truman Administration would be better advised to wait until the pact is ratified before disclosing details of the arms scheme.

However, many influential Senators are insistent on wanting to know how much it is going to cost before committing themselves on the pact.

The expectation therefore is that even while the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is discussing the pact, the Administration spokesman will have to publish some details of the armaments scheme.

This method, it is thought, will enable emergencies to be met if they arise.

BRITAIN AND FRANCO SPAIN

London, March 21.

Sir Patrick Hannon, Conservative Member, asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Christopher Mayhew, in the House of Commons today if he would turn a more benevolent look upon the possibility of more friendly relations with Spain. He suggested that this should be done in view of the very valuable cultural work being done by the British Council in Spain.

Mr. Mayhew replied: "I think wider considerations have to be taken into account there."—Reuter.

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Planning For Offence

By Winston Churchill

After much painful effort and at the cost of grave risks, we have so far as our land forces are concerned now built up a reasonably adequate defensive force here. We should presently be in a position to undertake certain offensive operations which if successful may have far-reaching effects on the course of the war as a whole.

It would surely be bad strategy to allow ourselves to be diverted from this task, and unwise to employ our forces in fragments in a theatre of war where they cannot be decisive. The best way in which we can help Greece is by striking at Italy, and we can do that most effectively from areas where our strength has been developed and where our plans are laid. I am anxious to put before you in detail at the earliest date the dispositions and plans which have been worked out here, and propose to return home by the shortest route, leaving on the third.

Assent was given, and the Secretary of State began his journey. He got back home on November 8. He came that evening after the usual raid had begun to see me in my temporary underground abode in Piccadilly. He brought with him the carefully-guarded secret which I wished I had known earlier. Nevertheless, no harm had been done. His return unfolded in considerable detail to a select circle, including the C.I.G.S. and General Ismay, the offensive plan which General Wavell and General Wilson had conceived and prepared. No longer were we to wait in our fortified lines at Mersa Matruh, but to make a long and arduous march into the desert, with no depth in the system. Between the enemy's right flank at Sofafi and his next camp at Nabeiba there was a gap of over 30 miles. The plan was to make an offensive spring through this gap and, turning towards the sea, to attack Nabeiba camp and the Tummur group of camps in succession from the West—that is to say, from the rear.

Light Forces

Marshal Graziani's Italian army now above 80,000 strong, which had crossed the Egyptian frontier, was spread over a 60-mile front in a series of fortified camps which were separated by wide distances and not mutually supporting, and with no depth in the system. Between the enemy's right flank at Sofafi and his next camp at Nabeiba there was a gap of over 30 miles. The plan was to make an offensive spring through this gap and, turning towards the sea, to attack Nabeiba camp and the Tummur group of camps in succession from the West—that is to say, from the rear.

Meanwhile, both the Sofafi camps and the camp at Melkilla, on the coast, were to be contained by light forces. For this purpose there were to be employed the 7th Armoured Division, the 4th Indian Division, now complete, and the 10th British Infantry Brigade, together with a composite force from the garrison of Mersa Matruh.

This plan involved a serious risk, but also offered a glittering prize. The risk lay in the launching of all our best troops into the heart of the enemy's position by a move of 70 miles on two successive nights over the open desert, and with the peril of being observed and attacked from the air during the intervening day. Besides this, the food and petrol had to be nicely calculated, and if the time-scale went wrong the consequences must be grave.

The prize was worthy of the hazard. The arrival of our vanguard on the coast at Beq-Baq or thereabouts would cut the communications of three-quarters of Marshal Graziani's army. Attacked by surprise from the rear, they might well be forced, as a result of vigorous fighting into mass surrenders.

ter off in the long run than the skilled lawyer, doctor, draughtsman, civil engineer, journalist, chartered accountant, scientist, professor? How much of this world's goods and services should a lathe-hand or a furnaceman receive compared with his schoolmate who builds up a thriving small business by his own energies, or a surgeon who has taken a lifetime to perfect his skill?

The crushing taxes on the man who dares to make more than a few pounds a week in Britain go to the "working" man. Is he never ashamed to accept them? And does the over-privileged Labour supporter of the present government never think of the endless dole from capitalist America which enables him to live on a plane which would be impossible otherwise?

Perhaps he has, and still it does look as if a slight majority will allow the Labour government to "finish the job." But as our correspondent says, "What is the job? They are doing well, but they are doing well because they are doing well." It is certainly true.

renders. In this case the Italian front would be irretrievably broken. With all their best troops captured or destroyed, no force would be left capable of withstanding a further onslaught, nor could any organized retreat be made to Tripoli along the hundreds of miles of coastal road.

All Delighted

Here, then, was the deadly secret which the generals had talked over with their Secretary of State. This was what they had not wished to telegraph. We were all delighted. I purred like six cats. Here was something worth doing. It was decided there and then, subject to the agreement of the Chiefs of Staff and the War Cabinet, to make immediate sanction and all possible support to this splendid enterprise, and that it should take first place in all our thoughts and have, amid so many other competing needs, first claim upon our strained resources.

In due course these proposals were brought before the War Cabinet. I was ready to state the case or have it stated. But when my colleagues learned that the generals on the spot and the Chiefs of Staff were in full agreement with me and Mr. Eden, they declared that they did not wish to know the details of the plan, that the fewer who knew them the better, and that they whole-heartedly

the Italian battle fleet was disabled for at least six months, and the Fleet Air Arm could rejoice at having seized by their gallant exploit, one of the rare opportunities presented to them. An ironic touch is imparted to this event by the fact that on this very day the Italian Air Force at the express wish of Mussolini had taken part in the air attack on Great Britain, where they had lost 13 aircraft. These might have found better employment defending their fleet at Taranto.

The Corner

The story of Suda Bay is sad. The tragedy was not reached until 1941. I believe I had as much direct control over the conduct of the war as any public man had in any country at this time. The knowledge I possessed, the fidelity and active aid of the War Cabinet, the loyalty of all my colleagues, the ever-growing efficiency of our war machine, all enabled an intense focusing of constitutional authority to be achieved. Yet how far short was the action taken by the Middle East Command of what was ordered and what we all desired!

In order to appreciate the limitations of human action, I must be remembered how much was going on in every direction at the same time. Nevertheless it remains astonishing to me that we should

acquire the knowledge and experience of Franklin Roosevelt. None could equal his commanding gifts. My own relations with him had been most carefully fostered by me, and seemed to have reached a degree of confidence and friendship which was a vital factor in all my thought. To close the slowly-built-up comradeship, to break the continuity of all our discussions, to begin again with a new mind and personality, seemed to me a repellent prospect. Since Dunkirk, I had not been conscious of the same sense of strain. It was with indescribable relief that I received the news that President Roosevelt had been re-elected.

Free Play

Former Naval Person to President Roosevelt. 6x14. I did not think it right for me as a foreigner to express any opinion upon American politics while the election was on; but now I feel you will not mind my saying that I prayed for your success and that I am truly thankful for it. This does not mean that I seek or wish for anything more than the full, fair and free play of your mind upon the world issues now at stake in which our two nations have to discharge their respective duties.

We are entering upon a sombre phase of what must evidently be a protracted and broadening war, and I look forward to being able to interchange my thoughts with you in all that confidence and good-will which has grown up between us since I went to the Admiralty at the outbreak. Things are afoot which will be remembered as long as the English language is spoken in any quarter of the globe, and in expressing the comfort I feel that the people of the United States have once again cast these great burdens upon you, I must also say my sure faith that the lights by which we steer will bring us all safely to anchor. Curiously enough I never received any answer to this telegram. It may well have been engulfed in the vast mass of congratulatory messages which were swept aside by urgent work.

Swept Aside

"Up till this time we had placed our orders for munitions in the United States separately from, though in consultation with, the American Army, Navy and Air Service. The ever-increasing volume of our several needs had led to overlapping at numerous points, with possibilities of friction arising at lower levels in spite of general goodwill. "Only a single, unified Government procurement policy for all defence purposes," writes Mr. Stettinius, "could do the tremendous job that was now ahead." This meant that the United States Government should place all the orders for weapons in America. Three days after his re-election the President publicly announced a "rule of thumb" for the division of American arms output. As weapons came off the production line they were to be divided roughly 50-50 between the United States forces. That same day the Priorities Board approved a British request to order 12,000 more airplanes in the United States. In addition to the 11,000 we had already booked. But how was all this to be paid for?

In mid-November Lord Lothian who had recently flown home from Washington spent two days with me at Ditchley. I had been advised not to make a habit of staying at Chequers every week-end, especially when the moon was full, in case the enemy should pay me special attention. Mr. Ronald Tree and his wife made me and my staff very welcome from time to time at their large and charming

house near Oxford. Ditchley is only four or five miles away from Blenheim. In these agreeable surroundings I received the Ambassador.

Lothian seemed to me a changed man. In all the years I had known him he had given me the impression of high intellectual and aristocratic detachment from vulgar affairs. Airy, viewy, aloof, dignified, censorious, yet in a light and gay manner, he had always been a good company. Now, under the same hammer that beat upon us all, I found an earnest, deeply stirred man. He was primed with every aspect and detail of the American attitude. He had won nothing but goodwill and confidence in Washington by his handling of the Destroyer-cum-Bases negotiations. He was fresh from intimate contact with the President, with whom he had established a warm personal friendship. His mind was now set upon the Dollar problem; this was grim indeed.

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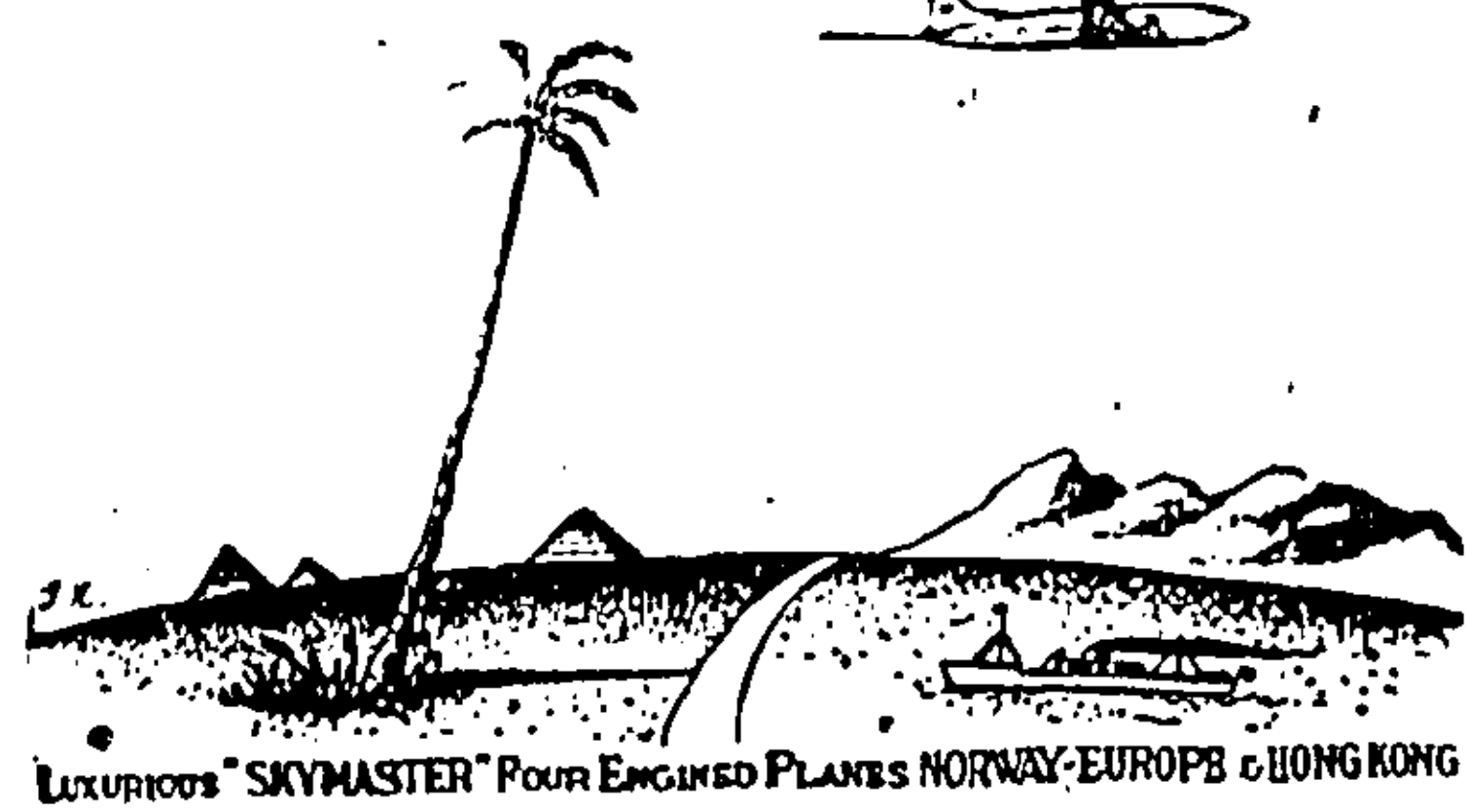
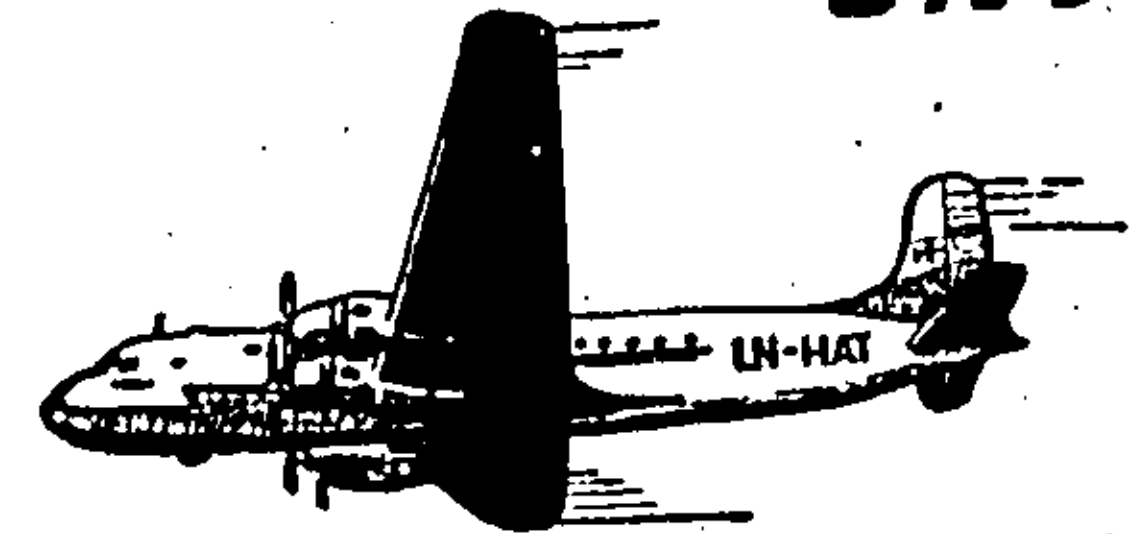
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NECESSITY FOR NEW DEFENSIVE STRATEGY IN THE PACIFIC

RULES FOR N. CHINA TRADING

Shanghai, March 21.
The Chinese Communist radio tonight announced regulations under which trade will be permitted with Communist-occupied China.

The broadcast disclosed the formation of a Foreign National Affairs section in the Communist People's Government for North China.

The broadcast said: "Foreign commercial bodies desirous of trading with North China and which observe the policies and decrees of the People's Government are permitted to appoint representatives for trade with this area."

The radio said that such foreign traders must be recommended by the new Foreign National Affairs section.

Both importers and exporters must obtain licences from the North China Trade Bureau as must Chinese businessmen desiring to proceed abroad.

The broadcast said that all trade contracts between Chinese and foreign firms must be ratified by the Trade Bureau.—United Press.

London, March 21.
Informed sources said today that the United States must provide leadership in the formation of a Pacific pact to check the Far East Communist menace.

No official comment is available concerning the reported shaping of the Pacific pact. However, it is reliably understood that the British Government is more concerned with Commonwealth discussions relating to India's emergence as an independent republic.

One official, commenting on India's declared intention of remaining aloof from regional pacts, said: "India could be either a wedge or a bond between the East and West."

Authoritative quarters say that the present disorders throughout South East Asia make it necessary that the Western and other friendly powers, especially those of the Commonwealth, plan defence strategy to the Indian ocean.

However, they say, individual action by any one power can achieve little and they add that there must be active leadership from the United States.

The Western powers must seek a new partnership with genuine nationalism as distinct from Communism in Asia as the most effective counter to Communism, they say.

Natural Corollary

It is believed that such an understanding can follow as the natural corollary to the Western Union and the Atlantic pact.

which recognises Eastern Asia as the main base of Western Europe. Informed sources say that further reverses in South East Asia can undermine West Europe's prosperity which is the United States' first defence.

They point out that even the United States resources are limited and American expenditure on any large scale in the Far East might lead to a reduction in aid to Western Europe.

For this reason, they say, security in the Far East depends on co-operation among all countries threatened by Communist aggression including Australia, New Zealand, Malaya, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Korea, Siam, Indonesia and not the least, India.

Japanese Buffer.
Regarding Japan, these sources say that the Communist successes in China are likely to strengthen the American desire to maintain Japan as a strong buffer between herself and Asia.

Reliable sources in New Delhi said today that the Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, will attend the Commonwealth Conference in London next month. The conference will discuss matters arising from the meeting of the Commonwealth Prime Ministers last October.

Mr. Nehru, who holds the Foreign Minister's portfolio, will leave New Delhi in the middle of April for the conference. He will be accompanied by Sir Gurj Shankar Bajpai, Secretary-General of the Foreign Ministry.—United Press.

Anna Strong Attacks Pact

Boston, March 21.
Miss Anna Louise Strong, who was recently expelled from Russia on charges of espionage, yesterday termed the North Atlantic Pact a step toward war.

Speaking at the Boston Community Church, Miss Strong urged that a pact be drafted which would embody disarmament proposals and abandonment of atomic bombs.

Miss Strong said that she would defend America with every inch of her life if it were attacked by Russia.

She said that she was deported from Russia because she was a journalist seeking facts, and that was considered espionage by the Russians.—Reuter.

CANADA COCKPIT OF FUTURE WAR
Kitchener, Ontario, March 21.
Colonel Wallace Gofroth, former Deputy Director-General of Canada's wartime defence research, said today that the North Atlantic Pact leaves Canada as a possible battleground in another world war.

Colonel Gofroth said that Canada's position will make it the cockpit of any war between Russia and the United States. At the same time, he said, if the Atlantic Pact ensures peace, Canada will be in an excellent position to make tremendous gains.—United Press.

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords—the highest Appeal Court—was granted in respect of the appeal and the cross-appeal.—Reuter.

COMMONS QUERY ON NEW PACT

London, March 21.
Mr. Christopher Mayhew, Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, informed a questioner in the House of Commons today that so far as he is aware there have been no negotiations or discussions for the conclusion of regional pacts other than the Atlantic Pact.

Mr. John Langford Holt (Conservative) asked whether in view of the overwhelming support which the Atlantic Pact has in this country such regional pacts are envisaged by the Government.

Mr. Mayhew replied that the Atlantic Pact has not been signed yet. "Perhaps we had better do that first," he said.—Reuter.

FLU EPIDEMIC IN BRITAIN

London, March 22.
Influenza is sweeping Britain, two months after it hit the European Continent.

The Ministry of Health reported yesterday that deaths from the disease in London and the bigger towns in Britain and Wales last week totalled 321—300 per cent more than during any week last year.—Associated Press.

Uranium Search In Colonies

London, March 21.
Britain's Ministry of Supply has offered to buy all uranium ores containing over 10 per cent of the mineral—the basic material for atomic energy—produced in the colonial empire or in Britain during the next 10 years.

The Ministry announced this tonight, adding that the offer is being published in all colonial territories where there is considered to be a possibility of locating the radioactive materials.

The Ministry is making an effort to stimulate interest among colonial mining houses and prospectors in locating substantial deposits of uranium and thorium, the announcement said.

Colonial Geological Surveys and the Geological Survey of Great Britain are giving advice on the matter and analysing samples brought in by prospectors, the announcement added.

Geiger-Müller counters (instruments for measuring radioactivity) produced in Britain are being used and made available for sale in increasing numbers in the colonies.

Queuille's Victory In Local Elections

Paris, March 21.
Henri Queuille's middle of the road Government won France's local elections, the Interior Ministry said tonight.

The result of Sunday's polls was: 51.12 per cent of the vote to the parties in the Government, 48.88 per cent to the Government's bitter opponents—the Communists and followers of General de Gaulle.

The consensus of neutral observers is that M. Queuille's moderate pro-West Government has been strengthened by the vote.

It should not be forgotten that the parties in the Government are united, at least temporarily, in a coalition cabinet while M. Queuille's opponents are divided. De Gaulle won something of a personal success in polling 23.34 per cent of the vote, the largest gathered by any single party.

But the Government still has a two to one advantage over the General, who wants to take power to give France what he says is the strong leadership she needs.

Still A Force
The Communists also showed they are still a force to be reckoned with—despite the Atlantic Pact, the European Recovery Programme and the Berlin airlift.

They polled the second highest number of votes, 23.54 per cent. But the Government also has a two to one advantage over the

RUSSIANS TAKE IT TAMELY

Berlin, March 22.
The Russian authorities announced last night that they will take no retaliatory action against the move by the Western powers which outlawed the Soviet East Mark in the Western sector of Berlin.

In the first official Soviet reaction to the currency reform, Colonel Alexis Yelizarov, acting Soviet Commandant of Berlin, declared:

"In an endeavour to help the population of Berlin's Western sector, the Soviet Military Administration does not intend to carry out any measures restricting use of the mark of the German Bank of Emission (East Mark) by residents of the Western sectors in the Soviet occupation zone."

Many Berliners had expected the Russians to make a retaliatory move.

Earlier yesterday, Russian-controlled German police tried to prevent Western Berliners from wild spending of surplus East Marks in ration-free stores in the Soviet sector of the city.

The East Mark tumbled to a rate of six to 10 for one West Mark on the black market. Even in the legal exchange offices the East Mark dropped to 5.2 for one.

Before Sunday's currency change, the East Marks had been worth about a quarter of the Western currency in Western Berlin.

The 2,250,000 Germans in the American, British and French sectors met the first day of the new currency rules quietly. The Western Allies told them their situation would be improved because their blockade-pinched economy now would be tied closer to the strongly reviving economy of Western Germany.—Associated Press.

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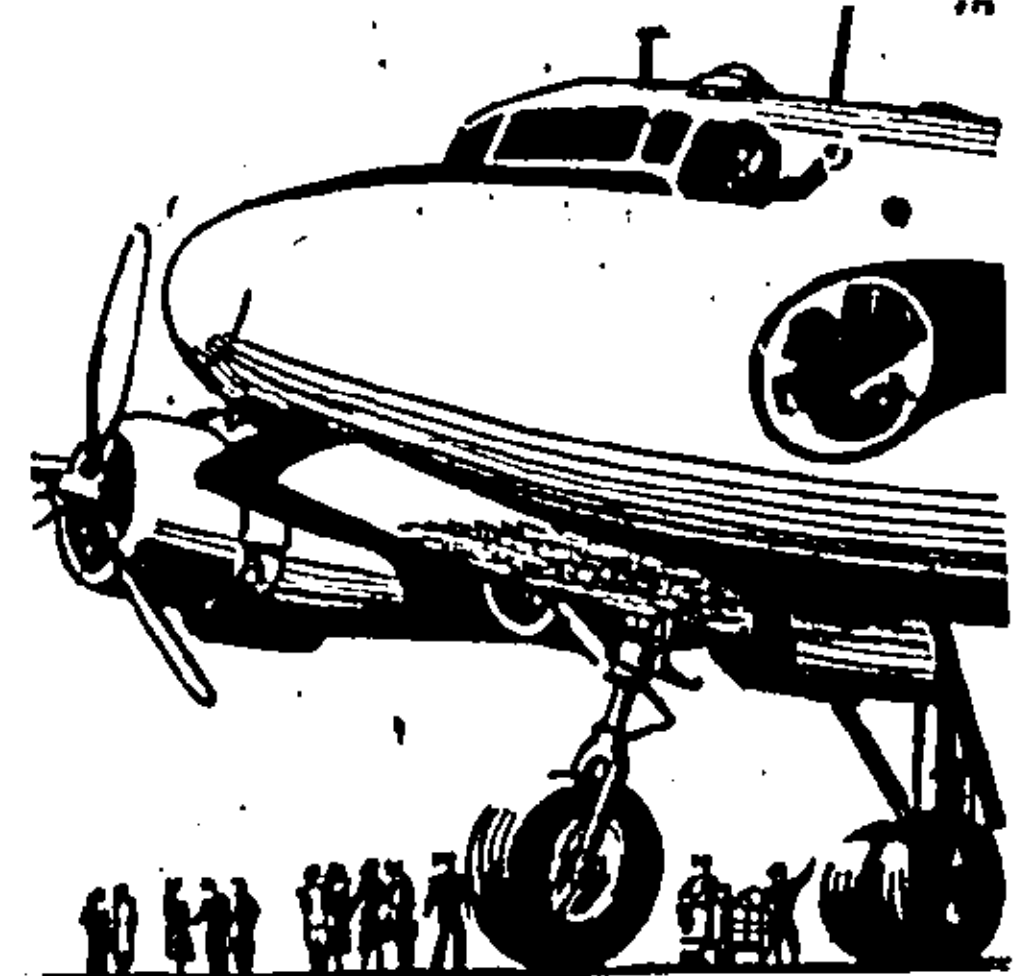
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Cancer Diagnosis Appeal Upheld

London, March 21.
A surgeon who was said to have wrongly diagnosed in 1942 that a patient, an American, would die of cancer in a few months, today appealed successfully against a £6,300 damages award.

Communist Plot In America?

New York, March 21.
A Government attorney told a Federal Judge and Jury in New York today that the 11 leading United States Communists before them on a charge of conspiracy could touch the fuse to a revolution of force and violence in the United States.

He accused the party leaders of teaching by means of classes and schools that the classic model for the violent overthrow of the United States Government is the Russian revolution of October, 1917. He accused the 11 accused of organising the party in 1945 to advocate the violent overthrow of the Government.

One of the accused, Eugene Dennis, General Secretary of the Party, spoke of the sinister purpose behind this heresy trial. He said the liberties of the whole American people hinged on the outcome of the case. He denied the attorney's charge that the Party principles advocate force and violence in overthrowing the United States Government.

The attorney, Mr. John McGohey, said the 11 accused from the National Board of the American Communist Party, which could decide the time for the revolution.—Reuter.

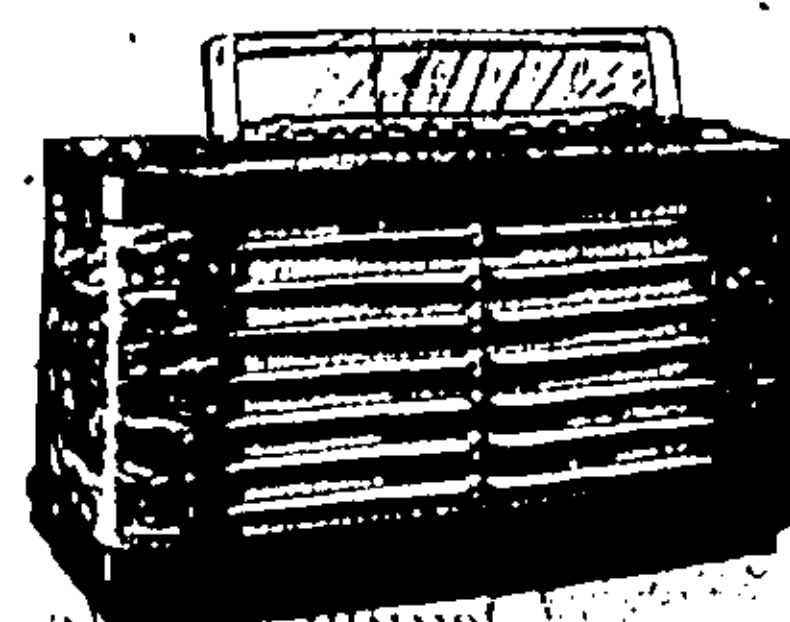
As a result of the diagnosis, Mr. Whiteford gave up his flat, sold his business and belongings in England and returned to the United States. He was seen by a surgeon in New York, who found no evidence of cancer.

Mr. Justice Birkett held that Mr. Hunter was negligent in making his diagnosis and awarded Mr. Whiteford £2,000 general damages and £4,300 special damages. He dismissed the case against Dr. Gleed.

Today, Mr. Hunter, appealed against these findings.
Lord Justice Anquith, giving the appeal judgment, said the question was whether Mr. Hunter, in making a mistake, was guilty of negligence.

There was a cross appeal by Mr. Whiteford from the decision of Mr. Justice Birkett in dismissing the action against Dr. Gleed. This was dismissed with costs.

Leave to appeal to the House of Lords—the highest Appeal Court—was granted in respect of the appeal and the cross-appeal.—Reuter.



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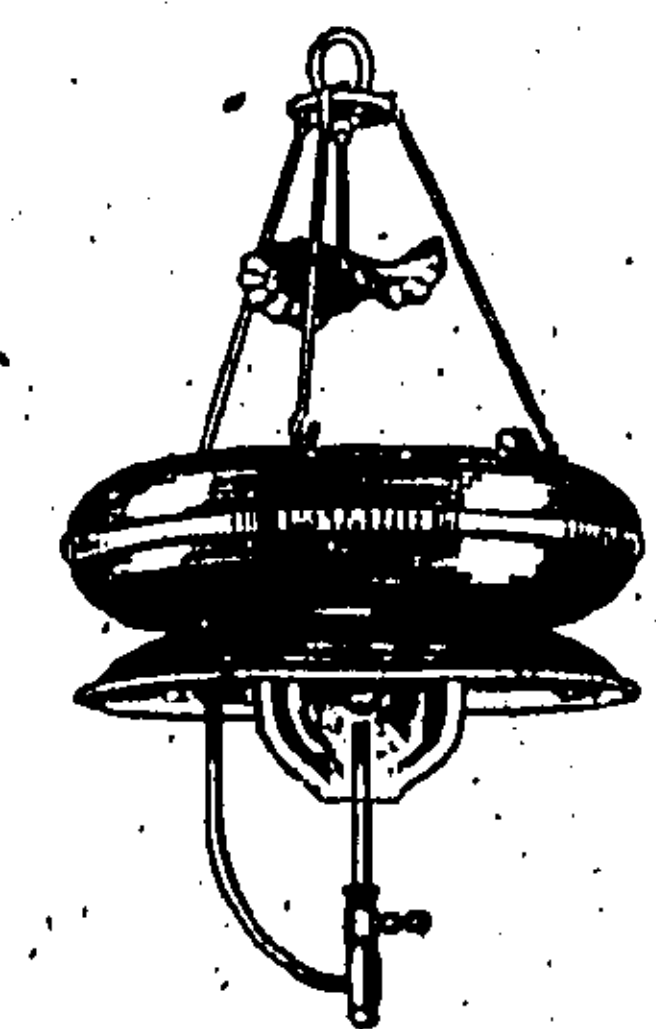
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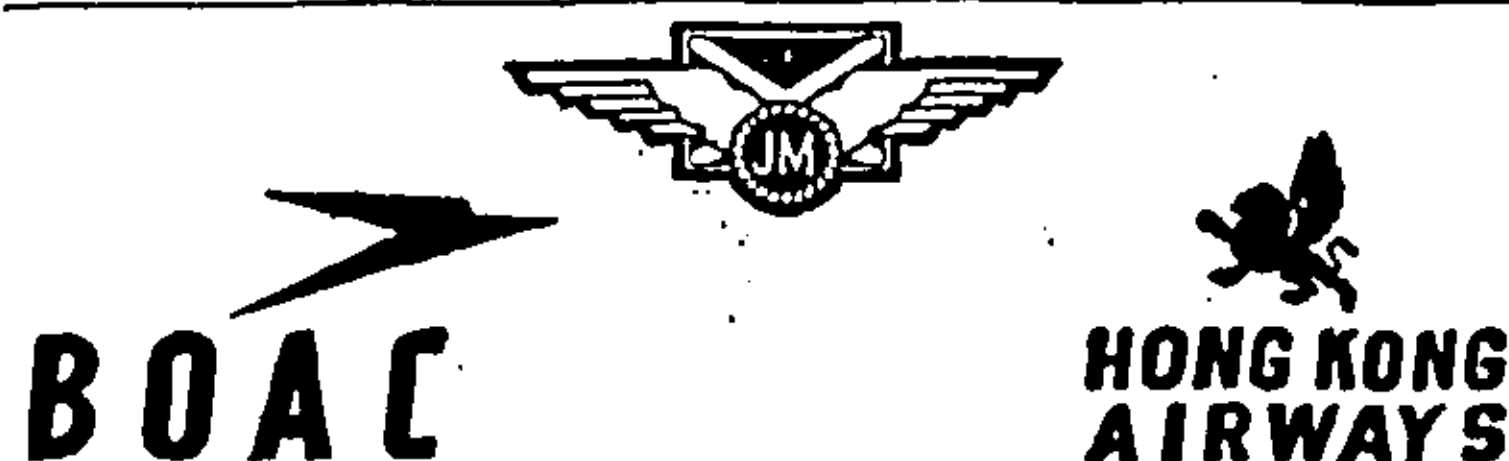
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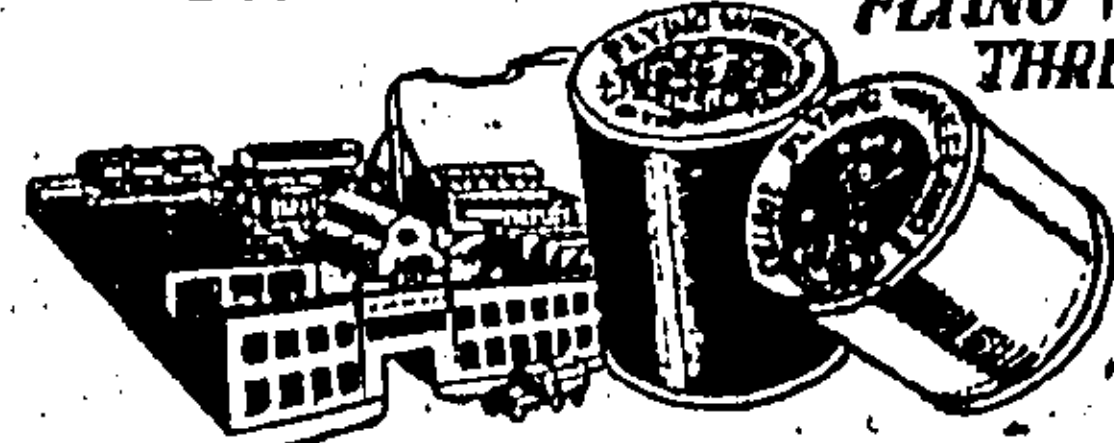
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Woman Today

Ring The Changes

By JANET MARTIN

Interchangeables are chic. This summer we are going to have lots of fun ringing the changes with interchangeable outfits.

These ensembles are cunningly thought out to do duty on a number of quite different occasions. Start while the dew is still on the ground... whisk off one piece and you are ready for a summer luncheon date... another and you are tout a la mode for the beach.

Or, for evening, you can create, out of two or three alternative combinations, the illusion of a far, far more extensive wardrobe than you really possess. Which, as you will agree, is a happy knack to have in a place where you are always being seen by the same people!

For most of us, dress budgeting is not just a matter of buying whatever takes the eye... or fits the figure... within a certain limit of expense. It also means fitting each new purchase within the framework of an existing wardrobe.

A new frock for instance, must be of a shade to fit in with our season's coat, or jacket. A new jacket must be chosen to wear over several frocks or skirts.

Impromptu Dates

The idea of deliberately chosen interchangeable outfits is not only makes a game of economic planning, but sets you forth equipped for any impromptu date which may arise.

One of the most enterprising of the interchangeable outfits is an ensemble created in London, for spring and summer wear.

It starts off as a dress-and-jacket in pearl grey linen... crease resting, of course! The dress is simple, button through style, but with the squared neck and wide strap shoulders of a beach frock. A matching jacket, demurely tailored in front, but with a jaunty kick at the back, makes a perfect outfit for mornings in town.

Interchange the jacket for a short bolero, in tomato red and you have a chic luncheon ensemble. Should you be invited to spend the afternoon at the Lido, you can remove the frock to reveal a neat multi-bra outfit in tomato red, over which your bolero can be worn if the sun is too hot.

For spring afternoons, the basic idea for your wardrobe is two interchangeable two-piece outfits, one print, one plain.

Choose soft rayon crepes for both, the plain in the predominant tint, one print, one plain.

Suppose your choice for the print has a blue ground, with one of the new, small formal patterns. Have it made with a pannelled skirt and a blouse top with small, rolled neckline and cap sleeves. The plain outfit will be

in an exactly matching shade of blue.

As You Wish

Choose for this one of the new skirts straight in front, but with a stiffened swing back... and a jacket with a jaunty little flare, which can be worn over the print blouse top. Skirts and tops can be alternated to your fancy.

The late-day frock too, can be made to serve another purpose. One model displayed a trim style for the office or town wear, frock in black faille, with flared skirt, brief jacket and demure fichu of crisp organdie. Surprise number one... remove the fichu to reveal a low cut neckline, add a small, nonsensical hat, result; the smartest outfit for a restaurant luncheon. Surprise number two... off with the jacket and on with a corsage of roses at the bosom of the strapless frock... just right for an evening party.

Evening styles afford ample scope for chameleon changes. Here is an idea from Australia. Start with a full skirt of brilliant, dark green tulle. Add a blouse of black silk jersey, with swatched cummerbund and looped beads in bright scarlet. For changes, take off beads and cummerbund and wear instead a tartan taffeta stole... or take off the jersey blouse, and replace it with an off-shoulder in green and white spotted organdie.

One Woman's Week

By Patricia Lennard

Most British wholesale firms have already decided what types of clothes from the recent Paris collections would find favour over here.

There will therefore be no change in silhouette, none in length, but look out for a good deal of new detail.

"Huge, jutting pockets, which are easy for us to make and easy for you to wear, will be a must," our manufacturer tells me. "Dresses with these flying-forward pockets will give a provocative Gibson Girl look to any figure, however slim."

The attached stole, made all-of-a-piece with one sleeve and worn in different ways, is another likely winner.

"And up-in-the-front evening dresses—dresses with hems which rise to mid-calf in front and touch the floor at the back—may take time to catch on over here, but when they do we prophesy they will be immensely popular."

Lucky Heather

Lucky 21-year-old Heather Scott, dark-haired, country-born, is getting married on April 2. Why 'lucky'? Because she is doing what comes naturally for the best of reasons—she is having the first fitting of her wedding dress.

Heather is receptionist-cum-resident model—cum—"general stooge" for one of London's top designers, and her ivory satin wedding dress is "on the house." It would be £200 for a customer.

As you can see, the "toile" or calico pattern of her dress is being pinned and fitted on her; the skirt is already cut out from the actual material being used, but it is made up on the wrong side for the first fitting; the right side, the side you cannot see, is protected with a tissue paper surface.

She has to stand still for 45 minutes for the first fitting, about 30 minutes for the next, and only about ten minutes or

THE NEW SUITS

By VICTORIA CHAPPELLE

The use of checks and stripes in the London fashion houses develops in its own way. These designs have always been popular and although fashion turns away from them from time to time, they return with a regularity that tells its own story.

It is noticeable that most of the designers prefer to use very bold stripes in conjunction with a solid dark colour, one acting as a foil for the other. On the other hand the shepherd's plaid design with a bold overcheck on a smaller one is often employed with great effect for entire suits.

The example shown here by Victor Stiebel, one of the best known of British designers in the haute couture, shows how effectively this can be done. The outfit links a suiting in a bold stripe with a plain, almost demure little jacket, the skirt material is cleverly played down by cutting the panels and goes so that the stripe forms a herringbone design, a treatment which immediately seems to soften it to the eye.

This again, is helped by the way in which the jacket is built up—the fitted line from waist to neckline, the severely buttoned peplum which, while losing nothing of its tailored air, still has a very feminine look about it.

A checked suit by Stiebel is equally feminine, the pattern being given great individuality by inserts between the gores of the skirt of bands of fabric cut on the bias, thus suggesting the use of a different material altogether. Ingenuity is underlined by the peplum on the jacket which "balloons" out slightly over the



This suit by Victor Stiebel has a full skirt with an outstanding stripe, and a neatly fitted jacket with a basque which folds back on itself.

hips, a line stressed by the bold front pockets.

Both these suits show a different treatment of skirt fullness—the one having it concentrated mostly in front, the other at the back. A Victor Stiebel dress has a somewhat similar treatment, but in this case "tiers" suggested at the back and sides by bands of braid actually break loose in front. This balances the allhouette admirably.

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by Helena Rubinstein

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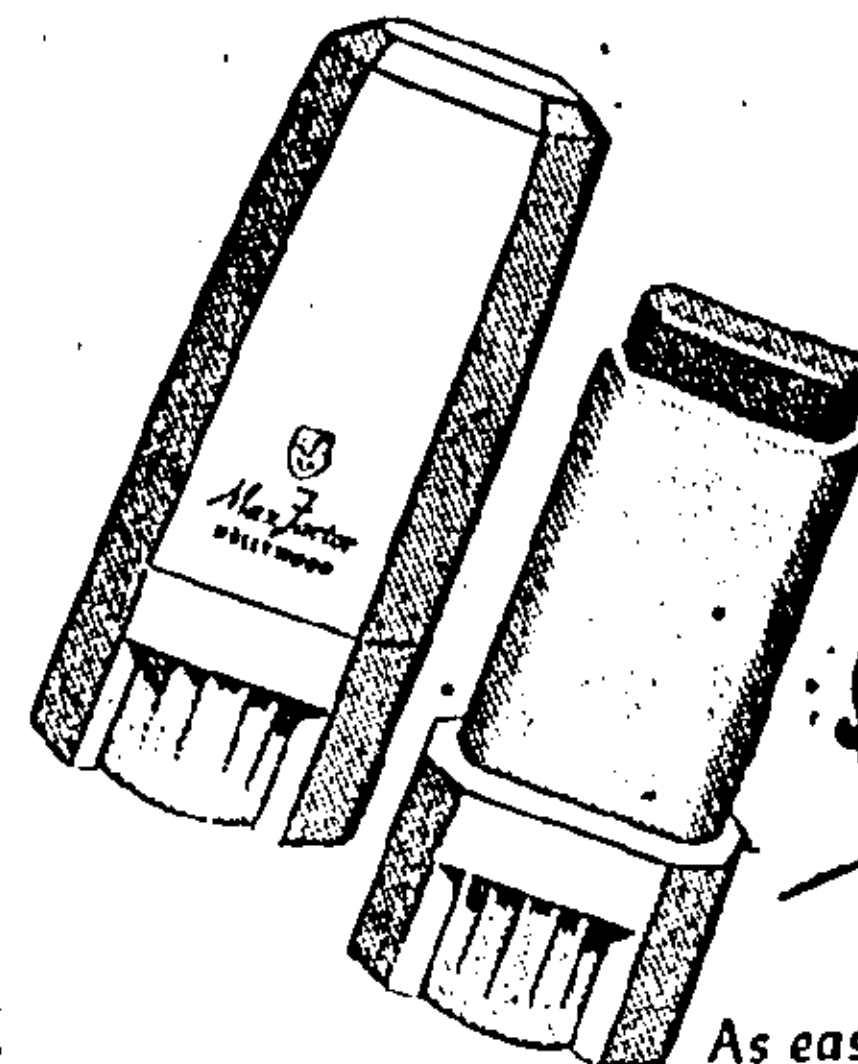
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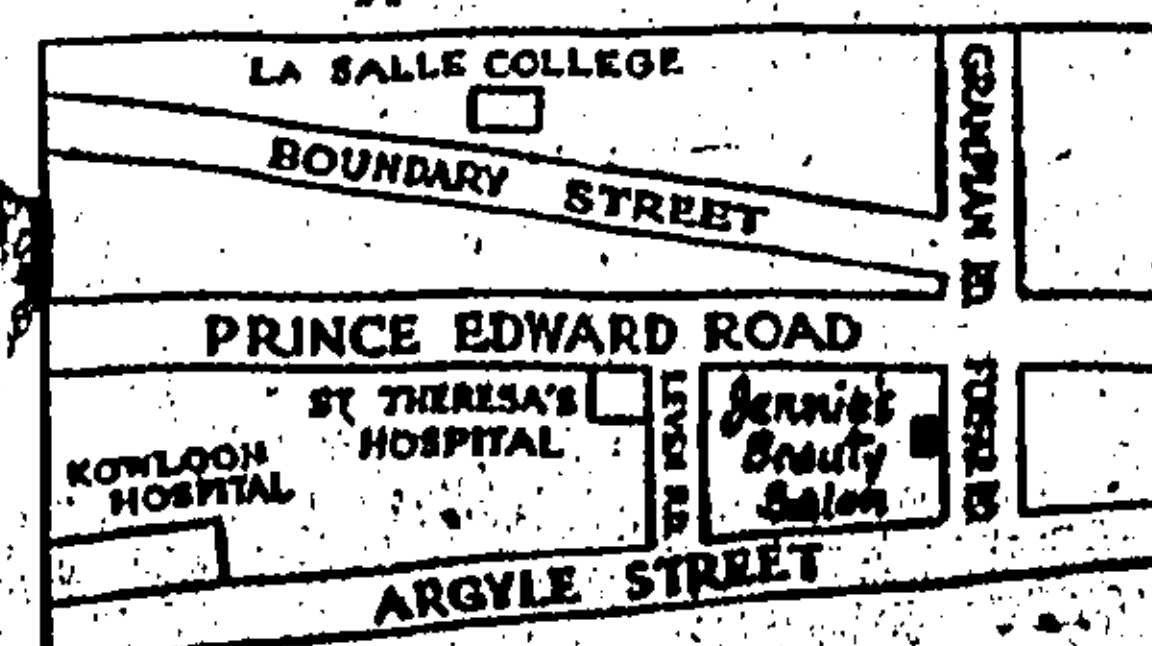
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RAF Man Sentenced In Kenya

Nairobi, March 21. Aircraftman Peter Jeffrey Riley, aged 20, was sentenced to eight months' hard labour for manslaughter by the Kenya High Court in Nairobi today. He had been charged with murdering an elderly African woman by shooting. Passing sentence, the judge said he agreed with the jury's verdict. Addressing Riley, he said: "You have come to Kenya, a land of mixed communities, and should realise there can be no discrimination in the application of the law or the sentence as between various races. There must be one and the same law for the European, African and Asian and one and the same standard of punishment." The judge said he found it impossible to find Riley over because some might think homicide could be easily overlooked. He hoped the sentence would mean that Riley would return to the Royal Air Force and eventually to England, forgetting this deplorable event in his young life. Some might think the sentence lenient, but it was passed because Riley had not been given the gun he would not have been on trial, and also because he was a young man with a good record.—Reuter.

Vienna, March 21. A British soldier and his skint companion, an Austrian carpenter, were found dead today in the Schmelzen district, only 150 metres from a mountain but where they might have found safety. An Alpine rescue squad brought the bodies to the mortuary of Kapellen, Styria.—Reuter.

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London, March 21. All political processions in the London area have been banned for three months by the Home Secretary, Mr. James Chuter Ede.

The announcement came less than 24 hours after big clashes in the East End of London between anti-Fascists and supporters of Sir Oswald Mosley, the pre-war Fascist leader.

Mr. Chuter Ede, who made his statement to the House of Commons, said: "I regret it is necessary to take this step, but it is intolerable that the streets of the metropolis should be made a battleground for opposing factions."

The Home Secretary said he had been informed by the Commissioner of Police that the powers conferred on him are not sufficient to enable him to prevent serious public disorder being caused by political processions and he had, therefore, asked that such processions be banned.

A ban on political demonstrations, imposed in April, 1948, after Mosley supporters had announced their intention of staging similar marches, ended on February 6 this year.

Several hundred police on horseback and on foot fought off thousands of demonstrators in the East End, last night to protect a march of 150 Mosleyites from Ridley Road, some of many previous clashes, to Tottenham, North London.

The procession was to pass through a predominantly Jewish area. Ten police were injured in the disturbances, which paralysed traffic over a large area.

Police Target

Mr. Chuter Ede said that the police, anticipating that disorders might arise on the route chosen by Mosley's Union Movement, prescribed a different route, which was not disclosed to the organisers until yesterday morning, with the object of preventing the route from being publicly advertised.

He said that 20 arrests were made during attempts to interfere with the Union meeting in Ridley Road and to interfere with the march.

Mr. Chuter Ede said that when the procession arrived at its destination, where a further meeting was intended, it was found that the place was occupied by four other meetings. The police therefore ordered the marchers to disperse forthwith.

He added: "When their opponents discovered that the procession had already dispersed, they diverted their animosity to the police. Milk bottles, lamps of concrete, hurricane lamps and, in fact, any available missiles were hurled by the crowd, and in each case the target was the police."

Rioters In Court

"Attempts were also made to interfere with the mounted police by throwing marbles and ball bearings on the road. A further nine arrests were made by the police at this stage."

Mr. Chuter Ede said that 10 policemen were injured, but none seriously.

"So far as the police are aware, no personal injuries were suffered by members of public and at no time did the police use or draw their truncheons. About 400 police were employed in keeping order."

Vietnam Prediction Of Victory

London, March 21. A spokesman for the Nationalist Vietnam Republic today predicted that a complete Communist victory in China will doo China. "If the Chinese Communists reach the Indo-China border and give us even moderate aid," he said, "we think we can clear out the French in three months. Vietnam has been fighting French rule in Indo-China for three years without outside efforts at mediation. "Indo-China has become a country of seemingly perpetual guerrilla warfare." The Vietnamese themselves describe their republic as the Cinderella of South East Asia, fighting unhelped, unwept and unsung.—United Press.

War At Least A Possibility

Washington, March 21. The United States Army Secretary, Mr. Kenneth Royall, told Senators today that war is not imminent but is at least a possibility.

He was testifying before the Senate Armed Services Committee in support of a bill to fix the Army's active strength at 337,000 officers and men in addition to the 750,000-strong National Guard.

Calling for an adequate Army, Mr. Royall told the Committee that military plans should be made for a period of years, and not from crisis to crisis.—Reuter.

Sabotage Behind Series Of Fires

Istanbul, March 21. Unofficial quarters link the Communists with a series of mysterious fires and explosions which have destroyed large amounts of Turkish military property in the past few weeks.

One official pointed to the fact that 12 persons had been arrested here for spreading Communist propaganda, the first such arrests in many months. The Communist Party is outlawed in Turkey.

The police had not said the arrests were connected with possible sabotage, but the timing of the round-up is considered significant.

The first in the chain of explosions and fires here, on March 2, was the worst. A private ammunition factory, working on government orders, was destroyed and 32 persons killed.

On March 10, at Tuzla, near Ismir naval base, a large military radar station containing equipment sent by the United States was destroyed by fire.

On March 11, at Adana, South of Anatolia, a modern military

hospital was damaged by fire. No casualties were announced.

On March 12, at Dagyenice military base near Istanbul, fire swept a large ammunition dump and caused an explosion felt for miles. First reports said there were casualties, later reports said there were none. Reporters were barred from the scene.

On March 14, a building at Islihanlye, housing a military recruiting office, was destroyed by fire. After the March 10 fire at Tuzla, the commander of the First Army in Istanbul asked newspapers not to publicise the incidents and in general the newspapers complied.

With Communist activities illegal, all known Communists have disappeared from the public. There have been persistent reports that an underground organisation exists.—United Press.



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'Daily Mirror' On Contempt Charge

London, March 21.

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Contempt is alleged to have been committed by the publication of reports on March 4 relating to a man at present in prison on a murder charge.

The order was announced by the Lord Chief Justice of England, Lord Goddard, and two other judges after they had considered an application on behalf of Mr. John George Haigh, for leave to apply a writ of attachment against the editor.

Haigh is in custody on a charge of murdering Mrs. Olive Dunst-Denon, a widow who disappeared from her London hotel.

Lord Goddard, following a conference with Justice Humphreys and Birkett, then said to Sir Walter Monckton, representing Haigh: "The court thinks that in a case of this gravity the publishing company—the proprietors—ought to be brought before the court."—Reuter.

AMERICAN "RING OF BASES"

London, March 21. Moscow Radio declared today that Britain has decided to put Malta under United States control for conversion into an American naval and air base.

Cyprus and Crete are also to become links in the world network of American bases for aggressive purposes, the radio commentator, M. Shilsky, said in a 1,500-word broadcast in Russian.

The commentator declared that the American bases in the Atlantic will be as follows: 68 in the Gulf of Panama and the Caribbean Sea, 63 in Britain, France or Germany, 25 in the South Atlantic and 18 in the North Atlantic.

The American imperialists intend to subjugate the Scandinavian countries completely with the object of establishing military strong points on their territories, he added.

M. Shilsky said a special role was allotted to the Iberian peninsula, with 13 bases to be built in Spain and seven in Portugal.

Japan will be converted into a military strategic spring-board in the Far East. About 35 former Japanese airfields have been preserved or rebuilt, M. Shilsky asserted.

"The American bases, strewn all over the world, threaten the cause of peace," he declared.—Reuter.

NIMITZ GETS KASHMIR POST

Lake Success, March 21.

The United Nations today announced that Admiral Chester Nimitz had been appointed plebiscite administrator for Jammu, Kashmir.

The announcement said that Admiral Nimitz will embark on his mission very soon. He is at present in San Francisco and is expected to come to New York within a few days.—United Press.



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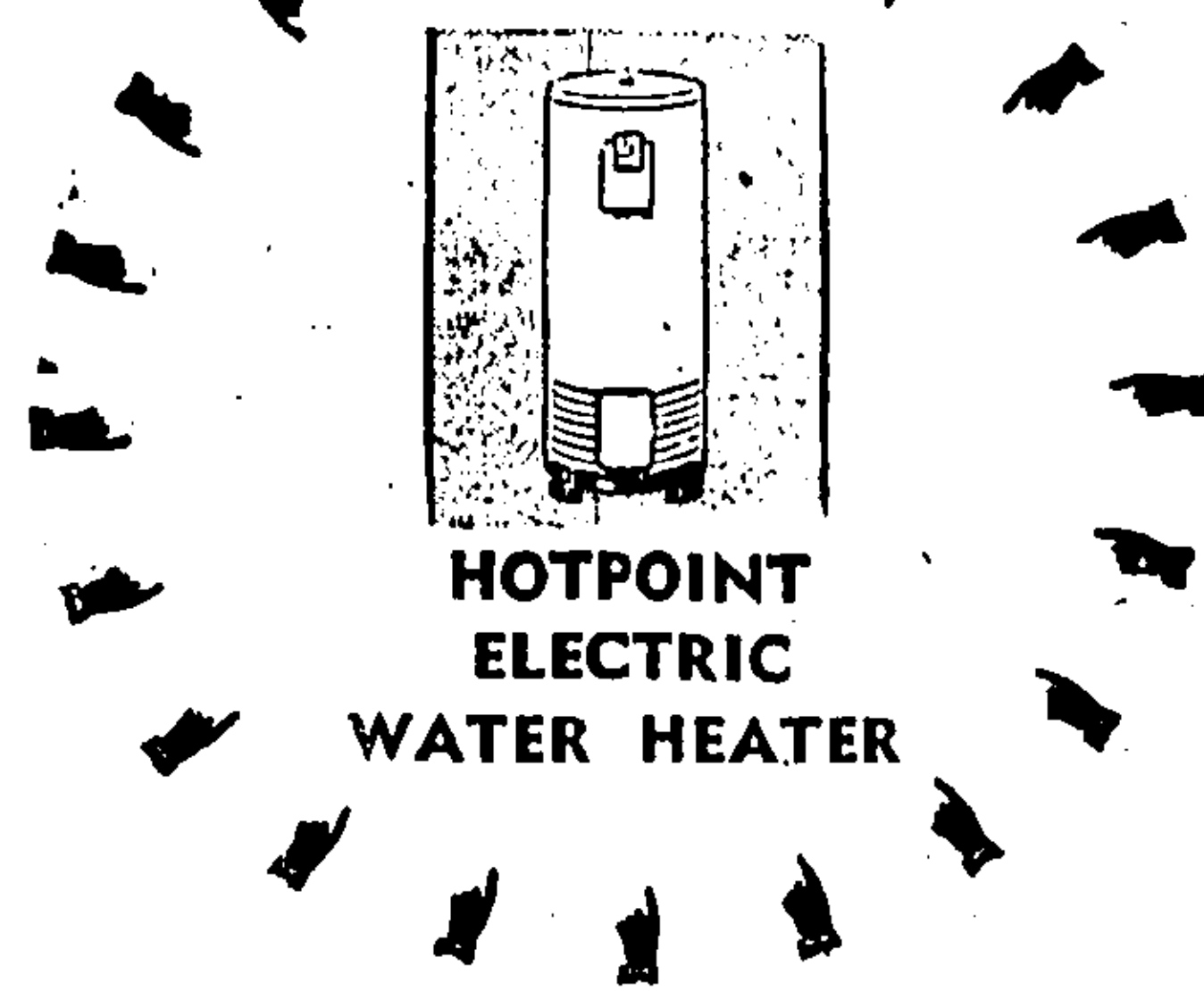
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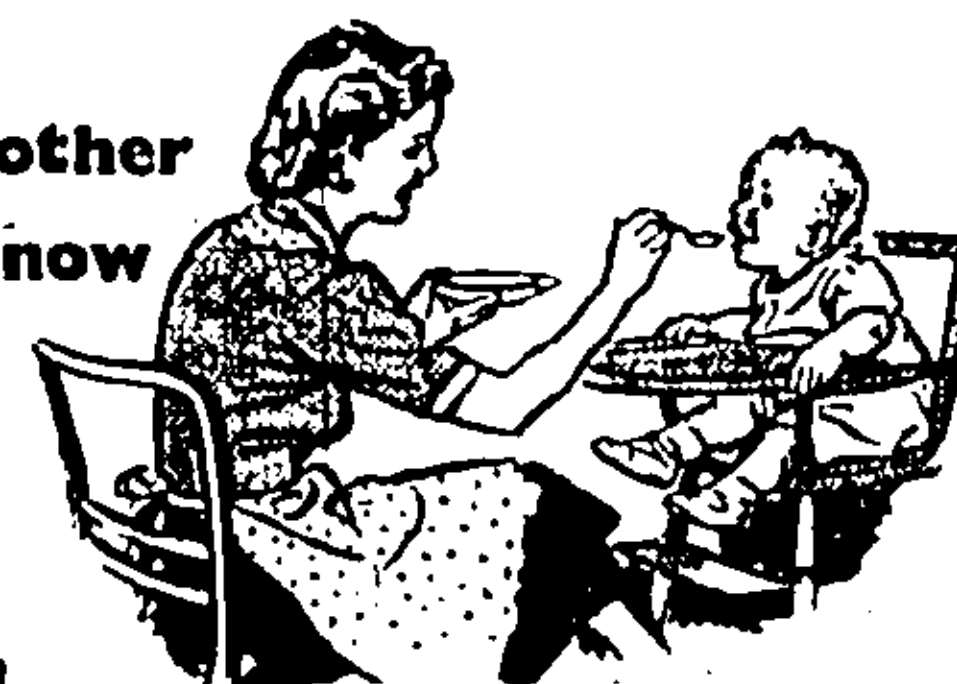
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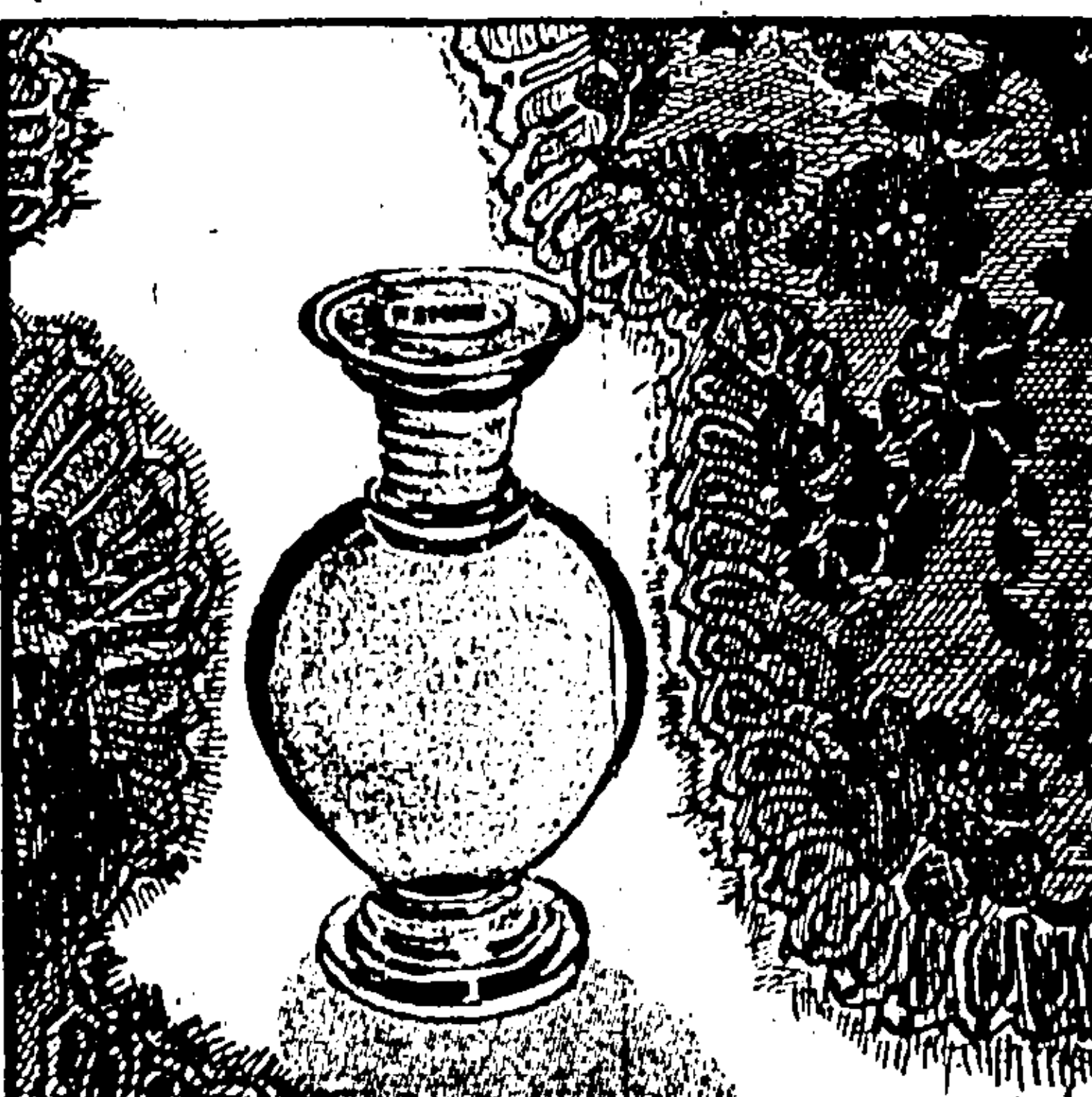
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Teen Aged At Sports:

The Inter-School
MeetThe year's biggest sporting event as far as the Co-
lony's schools are concerned is the Annual In-
ter-School Athletic Championships arranged
by the Education Department.Although other sporting bodies have organised track
meets involving inter-scholastic competition,
none but the early spring athletic meet at Caro-
line Hill is accepted as the criterion to deter-
mine the school-boys' skill on the cinders.This year's competition,
planned for this week, should
be quite an affair, touching
upon track interests of 1940-
1941 day. This year's field
should contain much of the
keen and sporting rivalry that
motivated the successes of the
meets in the days gone by.At the field this week will be
many who some eight to 10 years
ago rounded the tracks to achieve
highest glory for self and school.
They will be there to call and
cheer for the old Alma Mater as
others before them had called and
cheered when they themselves
were on the tracks.

No Argument

Without argument, the greatest
chapter in the history of the
Colony's Inter-School Sports was
that recording the meet of 1939.The school-boy athletes of
today were then only in their
early teens or even less. But even
they will remember that occasion,
and the boys that took part in it.
They were Ronny, Bobbie Cas-
tro and Gerry Gosano of La Salle
College, Augusto Sequiera and
Philip Tavares of St. Joseph's, Bill
Hosegood, Bill Pryde and Ian
Kempson of Central British School
(now known as King George V
School), Sin Kwok-bun of Queen's
College and the boys of Wah
Yan.That was the year when the
five named schools stood closely
for the championships when the
last and most important event of
the meet—the 400, 200, 200, 400
metre relay—was called.That was the year in which
CBS's Hosegood cracked the 100
metre sprint mark, (one which
still stands today), when Gerry
Gosano and Ron Castro of La
Salle, finished close together to
equal the 200 metres mark, when
CBS's Bill Pryde milled in 4
minutes and 40 seconds, another
record that is still standing, but
most of all, that classic relay just
mentioned.La Salle's relay team was then
the certainty. They have beaten
every other school in that race
before, excepting CBS, who hadquietly declined every invitation
to compete.
La Salle's team was Bertie
Xavier (400), the first leg, Ron
Castro (200), his cousin Bobbie,
(200) and Gerry Gosano, that year
La Salle's gold medalist, (400) the
anchor man.CBS had Pryde for the first leg,
I think, the Hooker boys in the
200 sprints and Bill Hosegood their
anchor man.Not Surprising
The race started as expected,
with St. Joseph's taking the lead
followed by Wah Yan and close
behind, La Salle. CBS was jag-
ging behind almost last. That
was not surprising. No one con-
sidered them at all in the field, at
least, not for the time being.When the baton was passed to
the 200 metres men, Ron Castro
speeded past both Wah Yan and
St. Joseph's to give La Salle the
lead which was further increased
by his cousin Bobbie running the
other 200 metres stretch.When Bobbie passed the baton
to Gerry Gosano, La Salle was
some 20 to 25 yards in the lead
followed by St. Joseph's and the
others. CBS was last to start on
the final stretch. But Hosegood
was now holding the baton.Then something happened
which all followers of the track
sport in the Colony, will never
forget.
Gerry Gosano was running the
fastest 400 metres in his career.
Bill Hosegood some 50 yards be-
hind him, started with such speed
that he was never expected to
finish. But soon he was seen to
draw abreast of Queen's College,
then King's, then St. Joseph's.At the 150 mark he was passing
Diocesan. Reaching the 300 he
drew abreast of Wah Yan then
third in the field. The crowd
gasped for a moment then let out
a great shout as Hosegood turned
the corner leaving Wah Yan be-
hind and headed for St. Joseph's,
Sequeira.Twenty yard separated Hose-
good from Gosano with Sequeira
in between. Then to the hysteria
of the crowd Hosegood passed
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TEEN AGE TOPICS

Personality

Fifteen-year-old Gordon Low
hopes to enter the Hong Kong
University in September. At
the moment he is studying in
the Diocesan's Boys' School and
is taking his matriculation exams
this year.Gordon was born in Hankow.
He lived there for four years,
then came to the Colony where
he has been for 10 years.During the war, Gordon was
in Calcutta and attended school
there for about two years before
returning to Hong Kong.Gordon speaks English fluently
and converses also in three
Chinese dialects: Mandarin,
Cantonese and Shanghaiese.He has various hobbies, but
that of collecting old coins is one
of his keenest. Gordon reads
the classics as much as fiction,
including the favourite teen age
pastime—comics.His music taste is as broad as
his reading and he likes particu-

SUSIE

I know Susie's full of fun and
pep... but, frankly, I can't sup-
ply the fuel!"

Competition

Winners of last week's prize
crossword were: Roy Pomroy
(\$6) c/o Asiatic Petroleum Com-
pany, Shell House, Hong Kong;
and Teresa da Silva (\$4) 200
Sai Yeung Choi Street, top floor.
The prizes will be in the mail
today—without fail!

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE

For a change, the crossword
prize of \$10 this week will be
awarded the teen-ager who
sends in the best crossword
puzzle complete with clues and
all.Mark your entries Competition,
Teen Age Topics, China Mail,
Hong Kongthat he would like to correspond
with people in the United States,
preferably in New York, Phila-
delphia, Chicago and San Fran-
cisco.He is asking teen-agers through
the Topics to contact him at 2,
Derby Road, Kowloon Tong,
Kowloon, should they be in a
position to let him have some
pen friends living in those parts
of the United States.

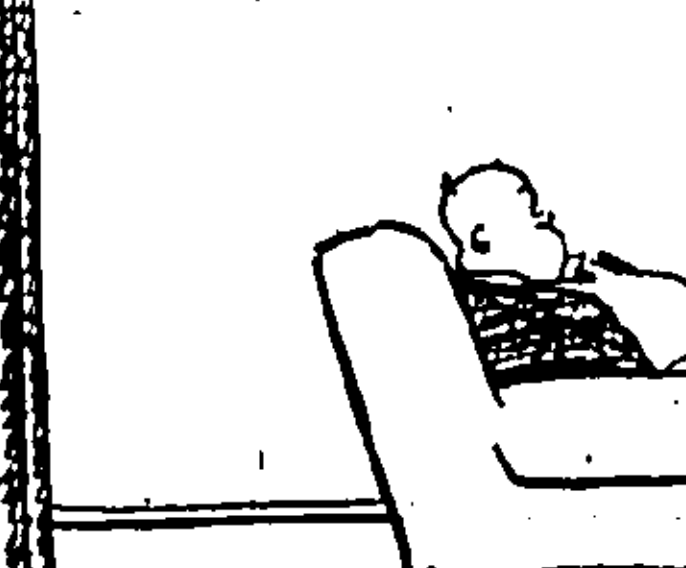
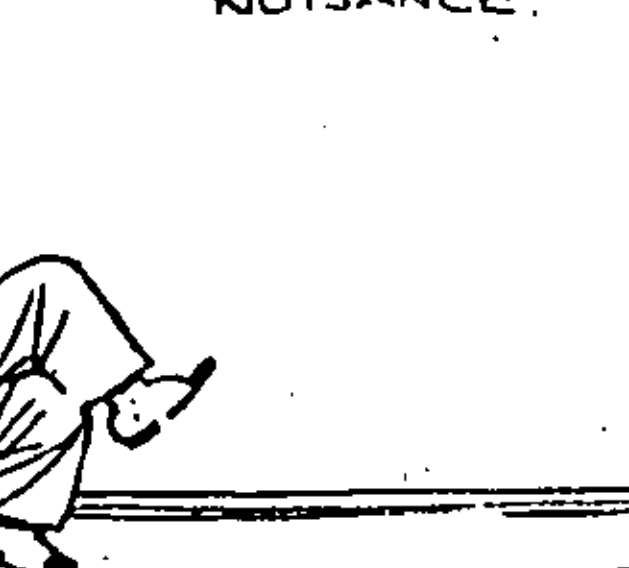
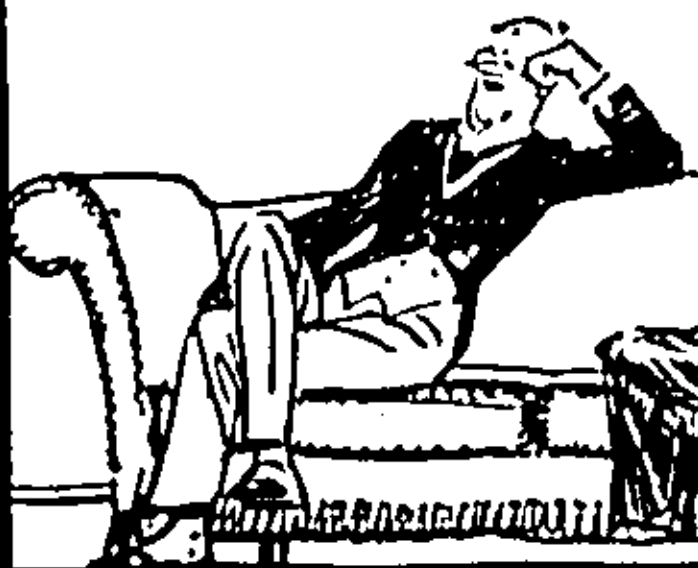
Solution

The solution to last week's
puzzle:ACROSS: 1-Monotonous, 8-
Guilt, 9-Strike, 11-Qua, 12-
Endear, 13-USA, 15-Enn, 18-Gi,
19-Regional, 21-LS, 22-Any, 23-
EL, 24-TNT, 26-Essential.DOWN: 2-Masquerade, 3-Nor,
4-Token, 5-Omen, 6-NI, 6-Other,
7-Spirited, 10-Taste, 14-Angles,
16-Aisle, 17-Enn, 20-Ante, 25-TL.THE INTER-SCHOOL
MEET

(Continued from Col. 3)

Sequeira after rounding the last
corner for home.That last stretch was about 50
yards long. And that provided
the most exciting climax in the
inter-school event.Gerry Gosano sprinted to his
utmost as Hosegood slowly drew
up. Every stride of his was
gaining on Gosano.The stands went mad then, as
the CBS boy shot past Gosano to
touch the tape with some five
yards to spare, ending one of the
most spectacular events in local
track and displaying such a stout
heart in sports which I thought
unequaled, until perhaps last year
in the Colony swimming cham-
pionships, when Shauna Anderson
won the 200 yard from Luckie
Rose and Marnie Leong.School athletes are making a
strong come-back from the war,
which killed every opportunity for
good showings.Our schools today may be with-
out the Hosegoods and the Prydes
of CBS, the Castros of La Salle—
and here, while talking of school
sports, I must mention Norman
Castro, the late and younger brother
of Ronnie and also of La
Salle, who in 1940 and 1941 was a
school boy sensation in the 400,
300 metres and the long jump,
besides being another La Salle
gold medalist (a champion).
Without them all, nevertheless,
the spirit of the Inter-School
Sports this year and the years to
follow will uphold the sporting
traditions set by these one-time
teen age sportsmen, who today
look to the present crop with
faith and encouragement.

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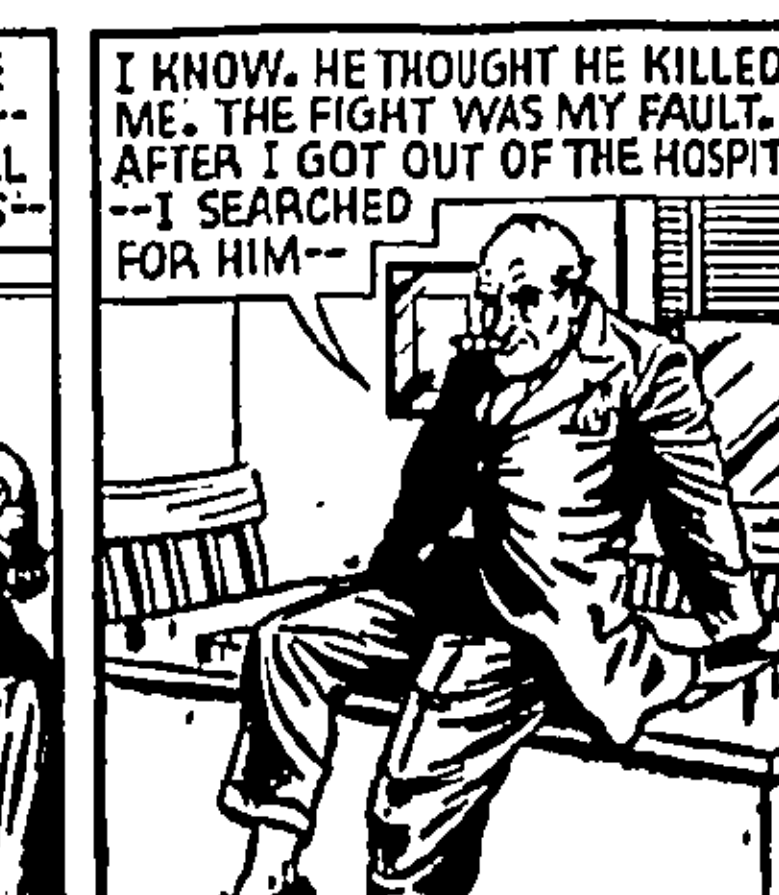
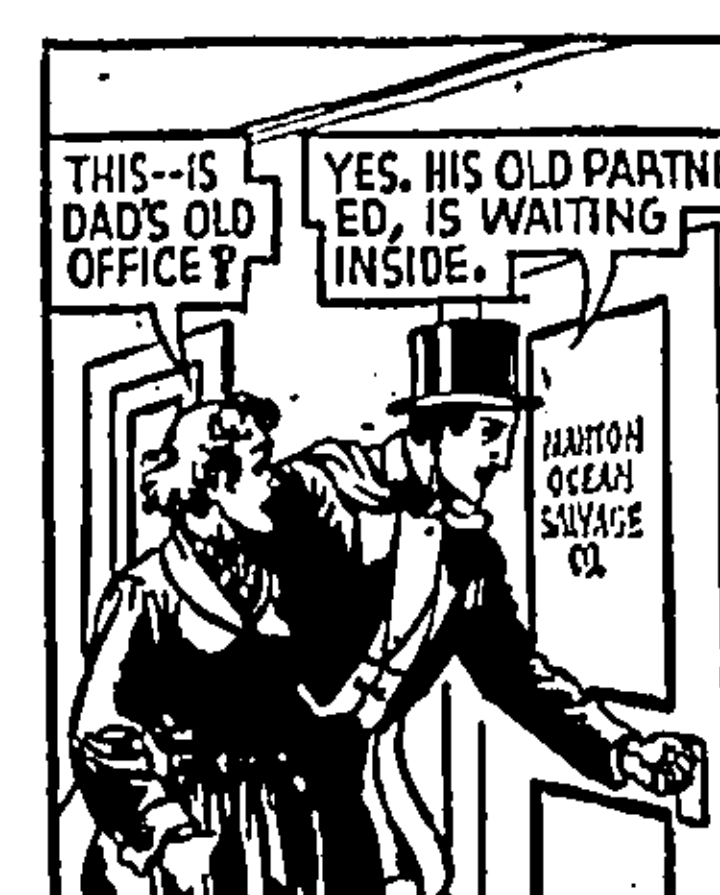
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VERY AMUSING AT
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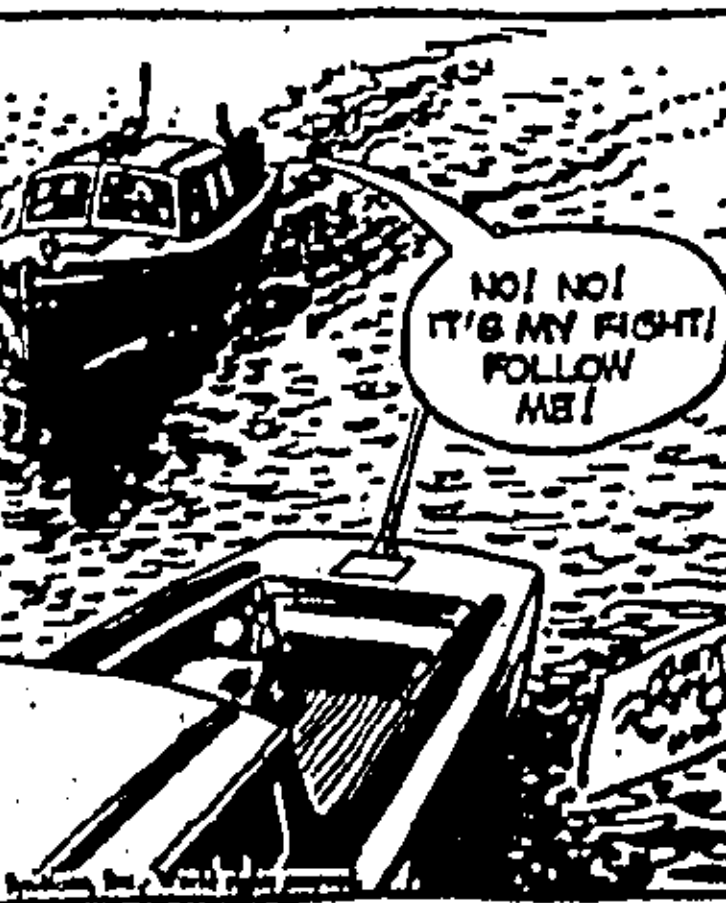
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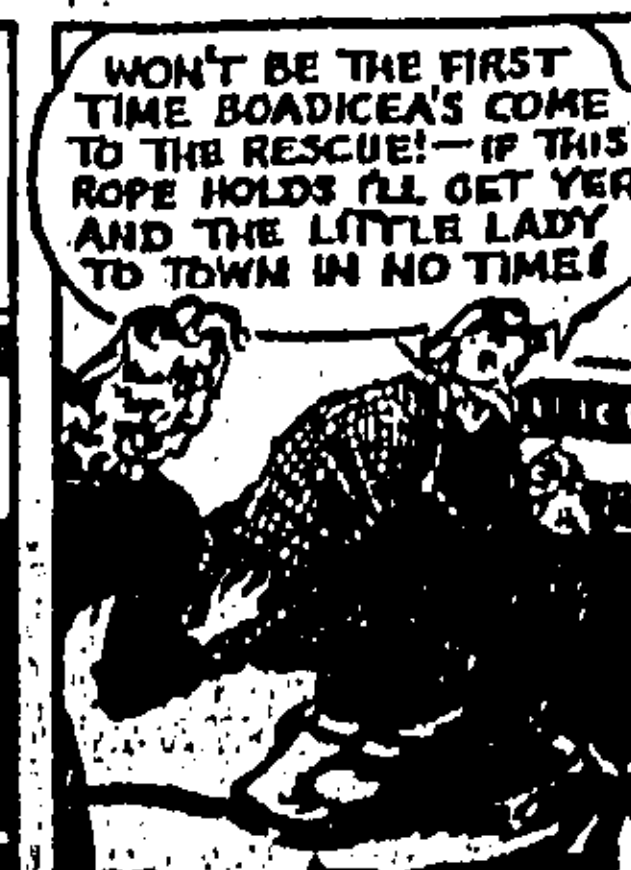


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Arrivals at Hong Kong on March 17 by the Qantas Empire Airways' Skymaster in its inaugural flight from Sydney via Darwin and Manila. ("China Mail" photo)

At a cocktail party given by Mr. E. Bennett Bremner, of Qantas Empire Airways at the Hong Kong Hotel on March 17. ("China Mail" photo)



The crew who piloted the Qantas Empire Airways' Skymaster into Hong Kong from Sydney on March 17. ("China Mail" photo)



Taken during Lady Grantham's visit to the Yung Hwa Studios in Kowloon on March 14.



The Royal Inter-ocean Line gave a cocktail party in honour of Mr. Sum Kwan, who completed 40 years of service with the company. ("China Mail" photo)

An official of the Royal Inter-ocean Line telling his colleagues of Mr. Sum Kwan's long service with the firm. ("China Mail" photo)



Some of the presents Mr. Sum Kwan of the Royal Line received for long service. ("China Mail" photo)



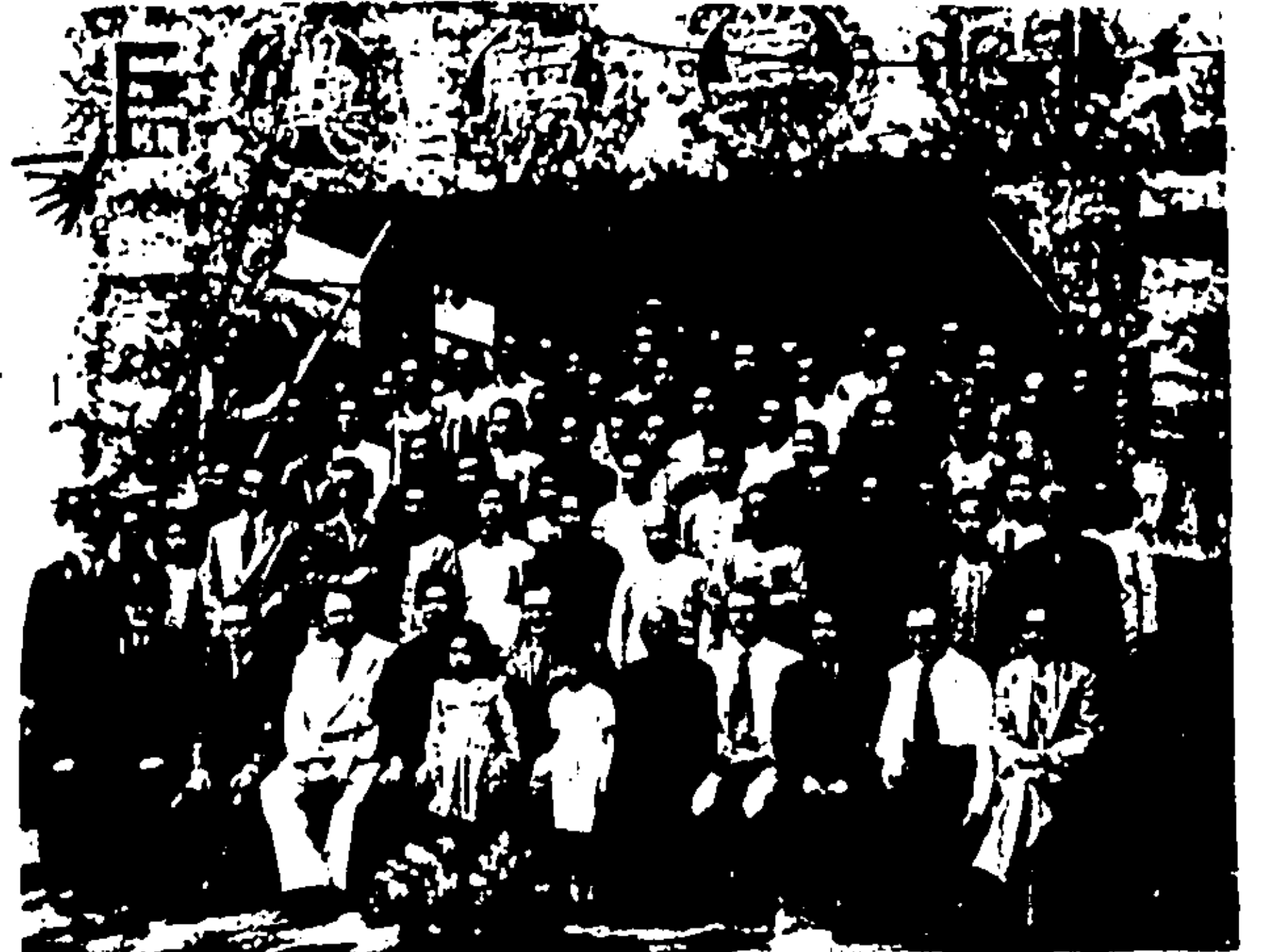
At the cocktail party given by the Qantas Empire March 17, the day its Skymaster arrived in Hong Kong for the first time. ("China Mail" photo)



Guests at the cocktail party given by Mr. Prithi Pal Singh of Bharat Airways at the Hong Kong Hotel on March 15. ("China Mail" photo)

Mr. Prithi Pal Singh of the Bharat Airways and two of his guests at the cocktail party. ("China Mail" photo)





At the opening of the Tai Po Market in the New Territories on March 14. ("China Mail" photo)

Mrs. A. Morse visiting the Yung Hwa Film Studios in Kowloon. ("China Mail" photo)

The gem-faced civet caught at Stanley on March 16. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. and Mrs. Noel Edwin Arthy and friends following their wedding last week. ("China Mail" photo)

Interocean photo)

Airways on from Sydney.

Some of the guests at the wedding reception of Mr. and Mrs. Noel Edwin Arthy at the Hong Kong Annex. ("China Mail" photo)





Mr. and Mrs. Look Mun-sum with their guests following their wedding at the Hong Kong Hotel on March 14. (Photo by King's Studio)



Mr. Chan Wai Chuen and Miss Yan Wai were married at the Shamshulpo Church last week. (Photo by Mainland Studio)



Miss Chan Yuk-sum was married to Mr. Kwong Kin-on at the Supreme Court on March 14. (Photo by Sun Ying Ming Studio)



Mr. Basil Johnson married Miss Stella Boyce at St. John's Cathedral on March 12. ("China Mail" photo)



Mr. Tai Man-fai and Miss Yam Wan-han after their wedding on March 14. The ceremony and reception took place at the Yenking Restaurant.

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TERMS OF LEBANON TRUCE

Rhodesia, March 21.
The main points of the Israeli-Lebanese truce agreement to be signed on Wednesday are the withdrawal of Israeli troops from frontier villages in the Lebanon and the reduction of forces by both sides.

The agreement reached yesterday when the talks were resumed at Ram El Nakura, on the Israeli-Lebanon frontier, includes the following points:

1. Complete Israeli withdrawal from Lebanese villages occupied during the fighting last year.

2. The international frontier to be accepted as the demarcation line between the two forces.

3. Immediate exchange of war prisoners, which total less than 20 on either side.

4. The reduction of the fighting forces to the strength necessary for internal defence.

Arab League leaders in Beirut agreed today to the internationalisation of Jerusalem, on condition that the League be given considerable control authority.

The agreement was reached at a private meeting a few hours before the opening of the conference on refugees called by the United Nations Conciliation Commission.

They also agreed on demands for the return of Arab refugees to Palestine.—Reuter.

American officials now are convinced that Premier Stalin will make a major effort this Spring and Summer to smash the power of his ex-follower, Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia, and return that heretical state to the Communist fold.

Responsible opinion here is based mainly on two considerations:

1—One is a steady flow of rumours and reports into Washington from European capitals over several months to the effect that the Russians are preparing some heavy action against Tito.

The other is the fact that Yugoslavia stands like a gaping hole in the Red solidarity of Eastern Europe. Stalin and his Politburo colleagues will have to try to fill the hole for reasons of political and military strategy.

Whether the Soviets will be willing to resort to war—even action of a limited kind—in order to remove Tito is a question arousing divided speculation here.

Authorities privately say they are convinced, however, that Russia, acting through the Cominform and through the satellite states of Albania, Bulgaria and Hungary, will use internal political intrigue, economic pressure, and the threat of force to try to overthrow Tito's regime.

Troop Movements
Russia and all the satellite states have built up a slowly intensifying campaign, mainly economic and propaganda, against Tito and his followers.

In recent months, as Hungary and the other satellite countries tightened up on all movements of foreigners, it has become increasingly difficult for Washington officials to sense what may be going on within the countries around Yugoslavia.

There have been rumours of troop movements on both sides of the Yugoslavian borders but informants here say those reports have not been confirmed.

There have also been rumours that Tito has warned his own followers in order to block any Cominform fifth column action.

What makes it vital for the Soviet Union to act now with respect to Yugoslavia is the completion of the North Atlantic treaty and its imminent signing.

Moscow, which calls that alliance aggressive, fears a unifying Western world with living evidence that one man at least with a country supporting him can defy Moscow and get away with it.—Associated Press.

Albanians On Moscow Visit

London, March 21.

Moscow Radio reports, that an Albanian Government delegation, led by the Prime Minister, General Enver Hoxha, arrived in Moscow today.

The Albanian delegation includes officers of the State Planning Commission and the Deputy Chief of the General Staff. They were met at the airport by the Deputy Chairman of Ministers, M. Mikoyan, and the Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Vyshinsky.

The aerodrome was bedecked with the Albanian and Soviet flags.—Reuter.

There is a growing fear of war between East and West they must do something about Tito. His power and position would make him a real threat to them in the event of an East-West conflict.

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Indonesia Makes New Accusations

Lake Success, March 21.

The Indonesian Republic alleged before the United Nations today that the Dutch are systematically destroying the Republican capital at Jogjakarta.

Mr. L. N. Palar, speaking for the Indonesians before the Security Council, said the Dutch are wrecking Jogjakarta to make it physically impossible to return the Republican Government there as ordered by the Security Council resolution of January 28.

"According to our information," said Mr. Palar, the Dutch are destroying buildings and removing administrative and other equipment from Jogjakarta to other towns—for example, Samarang. They are terrorising and mistreating those Indonesian leaders whom we need for a well-functioning government."

Mr. Palar, speaking at the invitation of the Security Council, criticised the United Nations to take these steps immediately:

1. Have its Indonesian Commission report at once on the situation in Jogjakarta.

2. Implement immediately its January 28 resolution giving sovereignty to the Republic.

3. Sponsor a preliminary conference to facilitate the Republican return to Jogjakarta.

4. Investigate at once the military situation throughout Indonesia, including the situation in those areas occupied by the Dutch before December 8, 1949.

5. Order an immediate investigation of atrocity charges by any international organ competent to do so.

Egypt's Mahmoud Fawzi Bey, India's B.R. Sen and Pakistan's Abdur Rahim Khan urged the Council to insist immediately on restoration of Republican authority at Jogjakarta.

Mr. Sen asked when the Dutch will realise that the spirit of the nation cannot be broken by bayonets.

Mr. Rahim Khan said: "It should be obvious to the Netherlands that its action in Indonesia contains the elements of a very grave disaster."

M. Fernand van Langenhove of Belgium, in apparent reference to Mr. Carlos Romulo (Philippines) and other Far East opponents of the round-table conference, said: "Mr. Palar has found around this table some people who are more Indonesian than he is himself."

The Council adjourned until Wednesday without taking any action.—United Press.

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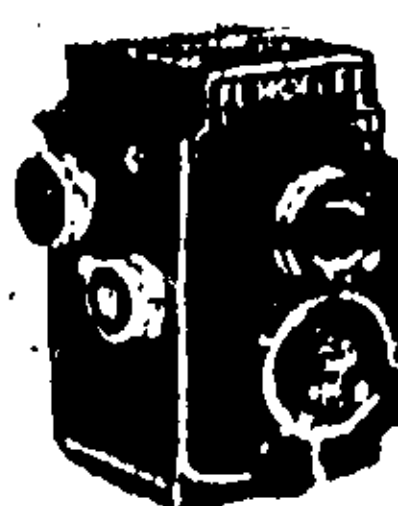
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IP ENTERS FINAL OF TENNIS SINGLES AFTER DEFEATING TSUI

In a classical exhibition of tennis at the Cricket Club yesterday, Ip Koon-hong, the China National Champion defeated Tsui Yun-pui, a former Colony Singles champion, 6-3, 8-6, 7-5, to enter the final of the Colony Open Singles Championship.

A record crowd witnessed the titanic duel between the two giants of the local court, and although the game went only to three sets, they had quite a dishful of first class bright tennis.

Both went for point-scoring strokes and there was little of the "padding" and "pushing" that seemed to come into the game lately.

Tsui gave a much better performance than he did last year against Ip and showed that he was Ip's equal at least in strategy. Adopting entirely different tactics yesterday, he could have further extended Ip, had not his accuracy failed him and had not Ip been so deadly with his volleys.

Ip pressed home his advantage of greater agility, a more forceful repertoire of strokes, and a lightning volley to the greatest advantage. His accuracy cut drops have never been as accurate and effective as they were yesterday.

How The Games Went

Ip took the first game on his service after Tsui had been called. Tsui returned the compliment with a free game, but could not break through Ip's next service game.

Ip now began to get the length for his drives and with beautiful follow-up cross-court volleys took the next two games to lead 2-1, 5-2, and eventually 6-3 for the first set.

The second set saw Tsui drop a vital service game to lead 1-0. Tsui started to gain more accuracy in his deep half-court drives, which drew Ip up to mid-court. Following these up with powerful passing drives, he took the next two games to snatch the lead of 2-1.

They then resolved into Ip coming up to mid-court and to the net, and Tsui trying to pass him with his drives and lobs.

Ip's wide-coverage at the net and deadly volleys and overhead smashes served him in good stead.

From 2-1, the score went to 3-3 and then 5-3 in Ip's favour, mainly through Tsui's inaccuracy in his half-court drives which came back to him like a lightning bolt.

A spell of volleying errors by Ip and some accurate similar cross-court drives by Tsui enabled him to capture the next two games to make the score once again 5-3.



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Indian Recreation Club XI Win Junior Cricket Honour

(By "Mid On")

Indian Recreation Club 2nd XI won the Junior Division Cricket Championship last Saturday when they beat Royal Air Force, at Sookunpoo, by seven wickets.

Frankly, I was surprised that they won so easily as I felt that the Air Force, who had beaten them in the first round game, would put up a much better fight than they did, although I felt that the odds against the Airmen repeating their early victory were pretty long.

The game should have been played at Kai Tak, but by mutual agreement it took place at Sookunpoo, the Army authorities kindly lending their ground for the occasion.

And so the two championships have been decided for 1948-49, Recreation having won the Senior Championship some two weeks ago when they beat Indian RC convincingly at King's Park.

In pre-war years, the season always wound up with Championships vs. Rest matches, but there is no trophy for the champions this time, both the First and Second Division Shields, like so many other things, having been lost during the Occupation.

It has been suggested that some trophy might be put up for the First Division as there is already a Hancock Shield for Mainland vs. Island matches.

The late T. E. Pearce, whose name was familiar to followers of cricket, not only in the Colony, but also in Shanghai and Malaya, did a tremendous lot for cricket in Hong Kong and I feel that such a trophy would be a fitting tribute to one who was a cricketer in every sense of the word.

Recreation, First Division Champions, have tentatively set aside the first and second Saturdays in April for the Champions vs. Rest game, if indeed such will come about. However, it would appear that the first Saturday in April is definitely out, as a Mainland vs. Island match has been arranged for that date.

Inquiries elicited the fact that there is, at present, no such official as Hon. Secretary of the Hong Kong Cricket League although T. A. Pearce is the chairman of what is known as the League Management Committee.

It cannot be off hand whether it will be thought worth while to have these Champions vs. Rest games although I do know that both the season's champion teams are anxious for them to come about. That, therefore, must be left to the powers-that-be to decide.

Reverting to the League games last Saturday, the First Division game between Club Optimists and Craighower produced another surprise in that the latter won by 25 runs in a low-scoring affair.

It was due mainly to Billy Billmore who bowled "like a wizard" to return the fine analysis of 5 for 34 in 16.1 overs, four of these being maidens.

Craighower batted first and were in a sorry plight until merchant played a foretell, albeit somewhat lucky, innings for 53, the only other batsman to get into double figures being Keshaw who scored 19.

A feature of the game was the return to cricket of B. W. Bradbury, a Craighower stalwart who had not played cricket for 15 years or thereabouts.

Bradbury used to open the innings for the Valley club in the old days, and although not as active as he used to be, he nevertheless showed that he can still keep up his end against the best of them.

Optimists Reply

Optimists scored only 88 in reply to Craighower's total of 113. Rowe and Little each getting 28 while Mahon, their opening bowler helped with an invaluable 10.

At Sookunpoo, Indians playing on their own ground were well and truly trounced by Army who avenged their previous League defeat in right royal fashion.

Abbas, winning the toss, elected to bat, but even before any run was scored, Ismail was bowled by a beauty from Barton, the ball coming off the ground at a terrific pace.

Thereafter it was a sorry exhibition and it was left to "Fatty" Minu (15) and young "Oily" Omar (22) to save the team from complete collapse.

Barton has not bowled so well for some time and his 4 for 25 was "fully" deserved, while Fong pegged away steadily and got 3 for 18.

Army knocked off the runs with eight wickets to spare. Burton (41) and Holmes (58) both playing forward, played

The IRC stumper, S. A. Ismail, let go 27 extras, but this was due more to inconsistent bowling than bad wicket-keeping. Army finally picked up after they had got 164 for 4.

Hodgson, who bowled so well against Indian RC two weeks ago, was again in good form with the ball when his side (Royal Air Force) beat Kowloon Cricket Club by three wickets.

Davidson, with 13, was top scorer for Kowloon whose total of 59 included 11 extras. When it came to their turn at the wicket, RAF did not make too good a start and it was left to their later batsmen to get the runs. Pantone retiring with 37 while Gambrell and Hayhurst had 18 apiece.

Needle Match

The needle match in the Second Division between Royal Air Force and Indian Recreation Club ended tamely in a seven-wicket win for the latter.

A draw would have been all the Indians needed for the championship, while if Air Force had won, a replay would then have been necessary.

Just by way of a change, Bakar won the toss and he decided to send the Airmen in to bat on a wicket that looked good for at least 120 runs.

This decision on the part of the IRC skipper paid early dividends for RAF were well out for 46, thanks principally to F. M. el Arculli (4 for 3) and A. M. Rumjahn (4 for 15).

It is interesting to note that Arculli and Rumjahn were the opening bowlers for the Indians when they won the League in 1930-31.

Stanley and Clark were the only RAF batsmen to get into double figures, scoring 10 and 12 respectively, while Kirkley batted stubbornly for his 7 not out. The

Inter-Hong Softball

(BY GRANDSTAND)

The following is the draw for the Inter-Hong Softball League: 1. Gibb Livingston, 2. Standard Vacuum Oil Company, 3. American Petroleum Union, 4. Musicians Union, 5. The Asiatic Petroleum Co., 6. Texas Oil Company.

HMB Tamar having withdrawn their entry, the last minute application by Texas Company was accepted.

The official inaugural game will be played on April 3 at 10.30 a.m. at the Recoletto football ground between Gibb and Stanvac, followed by a tithe between the Musicians and APL, and Shell and Caltex.

IRC fielding was good although two catches were put down in the first over of the match off Arculli.

Ismail Ali, who scored 80 odd against Recoletto a couple of weeks ago, opened the innings for the IRC and laid the foundation for their win with a well-played 28, while A. K. Markar played really good cricket for his 20, his cutting and driving being particularly well executed.

On Sunday, IRC 1st XI finished their League fixtures when they played University and were badly beaten, the feature of this game being the fine batting of young Chahab who made 51 for the Undergraders for whom Tan howled excellently to take 9 for 20.

BASKETBALL RESULTS

The following are the results of last night's games in the Hong Kong Basketball League:

"A" DIVISION

Black Cat 34 Swatow Overseas 29

"B" DIVISION

Chung Shing 56 Kin. Chinese

YMCA 23

Ning Chun 32 Black & White 38.

RUGBY TOURNAMENT

London, March 22. The Army and Royal Air Force will meet at Twickenham next Saturday in final of the Inter-Services Rugby Union tournament and the result will decide the destination of the honours for the season.

The Airmen are including a new stand-off half in 22 year old Corporal G. R. Tucker, who formerly played for Welsh Public Schoolboys.—Reuter.

Same Old Question Again --Amateur vs Professional

London, March 21.

The amateur versus professional question has cropped up again.

In Britain, John Daniel, a former English cricket selector and President of the Somerset County Club, pleads for the retention of amateurs in cricket, while across the Atlantic in the United States, a well-known sports columnist says that a professional in Britain is only two notches higher than a flunkie.

Mr. Daniel, aged 70 and one of the "Old School", said that it is ridiculous to think of a professional as anything but a flunkie, and the professionals do not want to.

He said that the amateur must remain and the only way to keep him is to reduce the number of writers, one of whom wrote: "Mr. Daniel doesn't want to see cricket developing into something like League football, which would be bad for the game."

This promptly brought forth comment from British sports writers, one of whom wrote: "Mr. Daniel doesn't want to see cricket developing into something like League football, which would be bad for the game."

Other sports writers think that cricket would do well to take a lesson from soccer and that the salvation of England's oldest game is for it to become, like soccer, much more competitive with perhaps a Cup competition as in football.

"Inferior Beings"

The American columnist warns American professional lawn tennis players coming to Britain that they will have to get used to being treated as inferior beings, and tells Bobby Riggs and Jack Kramer that they will find things very different to Wimbledon, where they competed as amateurs, now that they have forsaken their amateur status.

Of course, this is rubbish for professionals in most sports are usually very well-treated in Britain today. At least, a golf professional, Jack McLaughlin, the former British amateur champion, says so.

HK "U" To Meet Lingnam In Revived Sports Meet

By Kimberley

Resuming the Annual Inter-Varsity Sports Meet, the Hong Kong University this year, plays host to Lingnam University of Canton with the games opening at 2 p.m. on Saturday at Pokfulam.

Of the six meets recorded in the University's sporting annals, Hong Kong has come off victorious on four occasions. Lingnam and Sun Yat Sen University had carried home the bacon once each in 1932 and 1933, respectively.

The series began in 1931 when Hong Kong University took the first honours. The forthcoming meet covers many branches of sport, including soccer, tennis, badminton, ping-pong, field and track events.

The tournament is scored over two separate headings, one for the men's events and the other for the women. Individual championships are similarly determined.

As often as Hong Kong University have won, they have produced an individual male champion of the meet.

The first event on the programme which begins on Saturday is the inter-varsity ping-pong tournament. This will be followed by a soccer game at 4 p.m.

Sunday will see the tennis games played off after which the badminton contest will begin, with the events finishing off at 1 p.m. In the afternoon there will be the basketball match.

Highlights of the meet are the track and field events arranged for the whole of Monday starting at 10 a.m. stopping for lunch, with the tea interval at 3 p.m.

The full programme with names of Hong Kong University's representatives:

SATURDAY

2 p.m. to 4 p.m.—Ping Pong; 4 p.m. to 5 p.m.—Soccer.

SUNDAY

9 a.m. to 11 a.m.—Tennis: Norman Lo, Donald Lo, Tommy Lo (Capt.), P. T. Chin, Ip Ching-hing and S. F. Lam.

11 a.m. to 1 p.m.—Badminton: Low Kit-soo, T. T. Chin, S. A. Varnar, H. T. Heah, M. T. Yeow, and Chin Yung-kong.

3 p.m. to 4 p.m.—Basketball: Igo Shing-chung (Captain), Too Chee-chung, Chin Yung-kong, Yung Chung-fu, Marcus Branno, Tan Tai-ang, Wong Kwong-mun, Yung Shueung-bun, Ma Shu-lin and Yeung Ming-kin.

MONDAY

Men's 100 metres: Norman Lo, D. G. Honson and Sidney Holland.

Women's 50 metres: Inge Renner, Maria Braga and H. Abdullah.

Men shot put: T. H. Leun, C. L. Huang, and S. C. Hu.

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